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September 22, 1999

SUBJECT: Solicitation SP0600-99-R-0141, Department of State Requirements

1. This is RFP Solicitation SP0600-99-R-0141 {Department of State Requirements} under Customer Organized Group 3 (COG 3), PC&S, Purchase Program 3.23. This solicitation incorporates the terms and conditions of Master Solicitation SP0600-99-R-0059 (COG 3) issued on 17 March 1999 (and Amendments 0001, 0002, 0003, 0004, 0005, & 0006), with the exception of clause deletions and additions reflected herein. Your offer shall include the statement that the offeror agrees to the terms and conditions of RFP SP0600-99-R-0141 as amended.
2. If an Offeror Submission Package (OSP) was submitted under Solicitation SP0600-99-R-0059, then an OSP is not required for Solicitation SP0600-99-R-0141. Your offer shall state that "Our certifications and representations submitted under Solicitation SP0600-99-R-0059 are current, accurate and complete and remain valid for this offer." If you have changes to any of your certifications or representations, please identify the specific clause(s) which require re-submission in your offer. If you did not offer under SP0600-99-R-0059 and/or do not have a copy of SP0600-99-R-0059 and Amendments 0001, 0002, 0003, 0004, 0005, & 0006, copies can be obtained by downloading these documents at: <http://www.dcsc.dla.mil/main/p/grfuels/reg3.htm>.

(a) In addition to paragraph 2 above, the following clauses require your completion:

K1.01-10	OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS – COMMERCIAL ITEMS (ALTS I & III) (JUN 1999/OCT 1998/JAN 1999)
K2.01	SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS STATUS (OCT 1998)
K5	USE OF ELECTRONIC DATA INTERCHANGE (DESC MAY 1994)
K45.01	FACSIMILE OR ELECTRONIC INVOICING (DESC JAN 1998)
I238.02	NOTICE OF PRICE EVALUATION PREFERENCE FOR HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS (JAN 1999)
I240.01	NOTICE OF PRICE EVALUATION ADJUSTMENT FOR SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS CONCERNS (ALT I) (OCT 1998)

3. The following clause is hereby added and included in this package:

B1.01 SUPPLIES TO BE FURNISHED (DOMESTIC PC&S) (DESC MAR 1999)

(a) The supplies to be furnished during the period specified in the REQUIREMENTS clause, the delivery points, methods of delivery, and estimated quantities are shown below. The quantities shown are best estimates of required quantities only. Unless otherwise specified, the total quantity ordered and required to be delivered may be greater than or less than such quantities. The Government agrees to order from the Contractor and the Contractor shall, if ordered, deliver during the contract period all items awarded under this contract. The prices paid shall be the unit prices specified in subsequent price change modifications issued in accordance with the ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT clause.

(b) All items of this contract call for delivery from the destination unless the item otherwise specifies. The destination for each item is the point of delivery shown in the particular item.



(c) Written telecommunication (facsimile) is authorized for transmittance of a properly completed order. In an emergency, oral orders may be issued but must be confirmed in writing by an order within 24 hours.

(d) If any gasoline items are included in this document, they may require oxygenated fuel as a result of changes in environmental laws. See the SPECIFICATIONS (CONT'D) (COG 3) clause for a listing of counties, cities, and townships that require oxygenated gasoline during the period listed.

(e) Offers shall not be submitted for quantities less than the estimated quantities specified below for each line item.

(1) **IFBs.** Any bids received for less than the full quantity for each line item will be considered nonresponsive and will be rejected by the Government.

(2) **RFPs.** Any offers received for less than the full quantity for each line item will be rejected by the Government.

(DESC 52.207-9F45)

<u>ITEM</u>		<u>EST. QTY GALLONS</u>
	----- Supplies, National Stock Numbers, Method of Delivery, and Delivery Points -----	
B03	WASHINGTON DC, AID, U.S. AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (USAID), 1300 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW	
	DELIVERY FEDAAC: 7231A9 ORDERING OFFICE: 202-776-8602	
B03-46	FUEL OIL, BURNER #2 (FS2) MAX. SULFUR CONTENT 0.30 %	2,000
	TANK TRUCK (TT), W/ 100 FOOT HOSE INTO 1/275 GALLON ABOVE GROUND TANK.	
	DELIVERY HOURS: AFTER HOUR DELIVERIES MAY BE REQUIRED DUE TO SECURITY CONCERNS. NOTE: SPECIAL SECURITY AND OPERATIONAL BRIEFINGS WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE VENDOR AFTER CONTRACT AWARD.	

Offer Price \$ per gallon	_____
Base Reference Price (\$ per gallon)	<u>\$.3394</u>

B04 **WASHINGTON**
DC, DS, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, MAIN STATE BUILDING,
2201 C STREET, NW

DELIVERY FEDAAC: 043127
ORDERING OFFICE: 202-776-8602

B04-08 RFG REGULAR UNLEADED (MRR) 300,000
TANK WAGON (TW), W/ ONBOARD PUMPING UNIT
(SLOW-FILL) AND STANDARD UNLEADED FUEL NOZZLE
INTO MINI-VANS, SEDANS, AND SPORT UTILITY
VEHICLES. ANTICIPATE 100% ON HIGHWAY USE.

NOZZLE MUST MEET ANY LOCAL JURISDICTION
REQUIREMENTS FOR VAPOR RECOVERY. CONTRACTOR MUST
OBTAIN ANY PERMITS REQUIRED BY LOCAL JURISDICTION
FOR DISPENSING AND TRANSFER OF FUEL. DELIVERIES
MUST COMPLY WITH PROCEDURES DESCRIBED IN
REGULATIONS NFPA 30 AND NFPA 70.

DELIVERY HOURS: CUSTOMER WILL FUEL VEHICLES AT
VENDOR'S LOCATION. AFTER HOUR DELIVERIES MAY BE
REQUIRED DUE TO SECURITY CONCERNS.
NOTE: SPECIAL SECURITY AND OPERATIONAL BRIEFINGS
WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE VENDOR AFTER CONTRACT AWARD.

Offer Price \$ per gallon	_____
Base Reference Price (\$ per gallon)	<u>\$.3824</u>

B04-46 FUEL OIL, BURNER #2 (FS2) 18,000
MAX. SULFUR CONTENT 0.30 %

TANK WAGON (TW), INTO
1/12,000 GALLON BELOW GROUND TANK AND
1/6,000 GALLON BELOW GROUND TANK.

Offer Price \$ per gallon	_____
Base Reference Price (\$ per gallon)	<u>\$.3394</u>

B04-461	FUEL OIL, BURNER #2 (FS2) MAX. SULFUR CONTENT 0.30 %	2,000
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TANK WAGON (TW), W/ 300 FOOT HOSE INTO
1/225 GALLON ABOVE GROUND TANK AT U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF STATE, BLAIR HOUSE 1651 PENNSYLVANIA
AVENUE, NW DELIVERY FEDAAC: 193A99

ALTERNATE METHOD OF DELIVERY: 50 GALLON DRUM TO TANK.
DELIVERY HOURS: AFTER HOUR DELIVERIES MAY BE REQUIRED
DUE TO SECURITY CONCERNS.
NOTE: SPECIAL SECURITY AND OPERATIONAL BRIEFINGS
WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE VENDOR AFTER CONTRACT AWARD.

Offer Price \$ per gallon	_____
Base Reference Price (\$ per gallon)	<u>\$.3394</u>

B04-462	FUEL OIL, BURNER #2 (FS2) MAX. SULFUR CONTENT 0.30 %	2,000
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TANK WAGON (TW), INTO
1/500 GALLON ABOVE GROUND TANK AND
1/250 GALLON ABOVE GROUND TANK AT U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF STATE INTERNATIONAL CHANCERY CENTER,
3507 INTERNATIONAL PLACE, NW DELIVERY FEDAAC: 1931EM

DELIVERY HOURS: AFTER HOUR DELIVERIES MAY BE REQUIRED
DUE TO SECURITY CONCERNS.
NOTE: SPECIAL SECURITY AND OPERATIONAL BRIEFINGS
WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE VENDOR AFTER CONTRACT AWARD.

Offer Price \$ per gallon	_____
Base Reference Price (\$ per gallon)	<u>\$.3394</u>

B04-68	DIESEL FUEL #2, LOW SULF (LS2)	180,000
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TANK WAGON (TW), W/ ONBOARD PUMPING UNIT (SLOW-FILL) AND STANDARD UNLEADED FUEL NOZZLE INTO GENERATORS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS AND INDEPENDENT VEHICLES. ANTICIPATE 100% ON HIGHWAY USE.

NOZZLE MUST MEET ANY LOCAL JURISDICTION REQUIREMENTS FOR VAPOR RECOVERY. CONTRACTOR MUST OBTAIN ANY PERMITS REQUIRED BY LOCAL JURISDICTION FOR DISPENSING AND TRANSFER OF FUEL. DELIVERIES MUST COMPLY WITH PROCEDURES DESCRIBED IN REGULATIONS NFPA 30 AND NFPA 70.

DELIVERY HOURS: CUSTOMER WILL FUEL VEHICLES AT VENDOR'S LOCATION. AFTER HOUR DELIVERIES MAY BE REQUIRED DUE TO SECURITY CONCERNS.

NOTE: SPECIAL SECURITY AND OPERATIONAL BRIEFINGS WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE VENDOR AFTER CONTRACT AWARD.

Offer Price \$ per gallon	_____
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Base Reference Price (\$ per gallon)	<u>\$.3583</u>
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B05	WASHINGTON DC, USIA, UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY, 301 4TH STREET, SW
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DELIVERY FEDAAC: 673102
ORDERING OFFICE: 202-776-8602

B05-46	FUEL OIL, BURNER #2 (FS2) MAX. SULFUR CONTENT 0.30 %	275
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TANK WAGON (TW), INTO
1/275 GALLON ABOVE GROUND TANK

DELIVERY HOURS: AFTER HOUR DELIVERIES MAY BE REQUIRED DUE TO SECURITY CONCERNS.

NOTE: SPECIAL SECURITY AND OPERATIONAL BRIEFINGS WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE VENDOR AFTER CONTRACT AWARD.

Offer Price \$ per gallon	_____
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Base Reference Price (\$ per gallon)	<u>\$.3394</u>
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F34	BELTSVILLE MD, DS, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, BELTSVILLE MANAGEMENT CENTER, 8101 O'DELL ROAD, BELTSVILLE, MD PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY DELIVERY FEDAAC: 193201 ORDERING OFFICE: 202-776-8602	
F34-46	FUEL OIL, BURNER #2 (FS2) MAX. SULFUR CONTENT 0.30 % TANK WAGON (TW), INTO 3/14,000 GALLON BELOW GROUND TANK 3/8,000 GALLON BELOW GROUND TANK DELIVERY HOURS: AFTER HOUR DELIVERIES MAY BE REQUIRED DUE TO SECURITY CONCERNS. NOTE: SPECIAL SECURITY AND OPERATIONAL BRIEFINGS WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE VENDOR AFTER CONTRACT AWARD.	100,000
	Offer Price \$ per gallon _____ Base Reference Price (\$ per gallon) <u>\$.3394</u>	
L17	ARLINGTON VA, DS, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, NATIONAL FOREIGN AFFAIRS TRAINING CENTER, 4020 ARLINGTON BLVD, ARLINGTON, VA ARLINGTON COUNTY DELIVERY FEDAAC: 193337 ORDERING OFFICE: 202-776-8602	
L17-68	DIESEL FUEL #2, LOW SULF (LS2) MAX. SULFUR CONTENT 0.05 % TANK WAGON (TW), INTO 1/30,000 GALLON BELOW GROUND TANK 2/600 GALLON BELOW GROUND TANK 3/275 GALLON BELOW GROUND TANK ANTICIPATE 0% ON HIGHWAY USE DELIVERY HOURS: AFTER HOUR DELIVERIES MAY BE REQUIRED DUE TO SECURITY CONCERNS. NOTE: SPECIAL SECURITY AND OPERATIONAL BRIEFINGS WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE VENDOR AFTER CONTRACT AWARD.	40,000
	Offer Price \$ per gallon _____ Base Reference Price (\$ per gallon) <u>\$.3583</u>	

4. The following clauses are hereby deleted from solicitation SP0600-99-R-0059:

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| a. | K1.01-10 | OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS –
COMMERCIAL ITEMS (ALTS I & III) (FEB 1999/OCT 1998/JAN 1999) |
| b. | L2.05-5 | INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS – COMMERCIAL ITEMS (PC&S) (DESC
FEB 1999) |
| c. | I1.03-8 | CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS – COMMERCIAL ITEMS (PC&S)
(PORTS INTERNET APPLICATION) (DESC MAR 1999) |
| d. | I1.04 | CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT
STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS – COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JAN
1999) |
| e. | K1.01-12 | SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM REPRESENTATIONS (CONT'D) (DESC
FEB 1999) |
| f. | L2.01-1 | PROPOSAL PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS AND PAST
PERFORMANCE SUBMISSION (DOMESTIC) (DESC MAR 1999) |
| g. | L46 | SINGLE PRICE UNIT REQUIRED (DFSC JUN 1996) |
| h. | M72.02 | EVALUATION FACTORS FOR BEST OVERALL VALUE (DOMESTIC)
(DESC MAR 1999) |
| i. | B18 | SET-ASIDE QUANTITIES (DESC FEB 1968) |
| j. | C16.69 | FUEL SPECIFICATIONS (PC&S) (DESC FEB 1999) |
| k. | C16.69-3 | SPECIFICATIONS (CONT'D) (REGION 3) (DESC MAR 1999) |
| l. | E4 | INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE (DESC NOV 1991) |
| m. | F16 | BARGE UNLOADING CONDITIONS (DESC MAY 1998) |
| n. | F20.02 | AUTOMATIC FILL-UP PROVISIONS (PORTS INTERNET APPLICATION)
(DESC MAR 1999) |
| o. | G150.03-1 | PAPERLESS ORDERING AND RECEIPT TRANSACTION SCREENS
(PORTS) INTERNET APPLICATION (DESC MAR 1999) |
| p. | G9.07-3 | ELECTRONIC TRANSFER OF FUNDS PAYMENTS – CORPORATE
TRADE EXCHANGE (PC&S) (DESC OCT 1997) (REV) |
| q. | G9.09 | MANDATORY INFORMATION FOR ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER
PAYMENT (AUG 1997) |
| r. | I1.03-9 | CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS – COMMERCIAL ITEMS (PC&S)
(PORTS INTERNET APPLICATION) – ADDENDUM (DESC MAR 1999) |
| s. | I28.03-2 | TAX EXEMPT CERTIFICATES (DFSC AUG 1995) |
| t. | I84.01-2 | REQUIREMENTS (SET-ASIDE) (DFSC JUN 1996) |
| u. | I174 | MANUFACTURING AND FILLING POINTS (SET-ASIDES) (DFSC APR
1996) |
| v. | I237 | NOTICE OF PARTIAL SMALL BUSINESS SET-ASIDE (JUL 1996) |
| w. | B1.01-2 | SUPPLIES TO BE FURNISHED (DOMESTIC PC&S) (PORTS INTERNET
APPLICATION) (DESC MAR 1999) |

5. The following clauses are hereby added to solicitation SP0600-99-R-0141 and included in this package:

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| a. | I1.03-3 | CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS – COMMERCIAL ITEMS (PC&S)
(DESC AUG 1999) |
| b. | K1.06 | DATA UNIVERSAL NUMBERING SYSTEM (DUNS) NUMBER (JUN 1999) |

c.	K2.01	SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS STATUS (OCT 1998)
d.	K5	USE OF ELECTRONIC DATA INTERCHANGE (DESC MAY 1994)
e.	K45.01	FACSIMILE OR ELCTRONIC INVOICING (DESC JAN 1998)
f.	G3	INVOICE NUMBERING REQUIREMENTS (DESC AUG 1998)
g.	G3.01	PAYMENT DUE DATE (DESC OCT 1988)
h.	I1.22-1	CANCELLATION, RESCISSION, AND RECOVERY OF FUNDS FOR ILLEGAL OR IMPROPER ACTIVITY (JAN 1997)
i.	I87	OBLIGATION TO ORDER WHEN AN SDB PRICE DIFFERENTIAL APPLIES (DEC 1991) DLAD
j.	I171.01	SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING PLAN (ALT I) (JAN 1999/JAN 1999)
k.	I171.01-1	UTILIZATION OF INDIAN ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIAN-OWNED ECONOMIC ENTERPRISES (JAN 1999)
l.	I238.02	NOTICE OF PRICE EVALUATION PREFERENCE FOR HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS (JAN 1999)
m.	I240.01	NOTICE OF PRICE EVALUATION ADJUSTMENT FOR SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS CONCERNS (ALT I) (OCT 1998)
n.	I28.03-2	TAX EXEMPT CERTIFICATES (DESC JUL 1999)
o.	C16.69	FUEL SPECIFICATIONS (PC&S) (DESC JUL 1999)
p.	C16.69-3	SPECIFICATIONS (CONT'D) (COG 3) (DESC MAR 1999)
q.	L46	SINGLE PRICE UNIT REQUIRED (DESC MAR 1999)
r.	K1.01-12	SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM NOTICE (DESC MAR 1999)
s.	I1.04	CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS – COMMERCIAL ITEMS (MAY 1999)
t.	L2.05-5	INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS – COMMERCIAL ITEMS (PC&S) (DESC AUG 1999)
u.	K1.01-10	OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS – COMMERCIAL ITEMS (ALTS I & III) (JUN 1999/OCT 1998/JAN 1999)
v.	G9.09	PAYMENT BY ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER – CENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION (MAY 1999)
w.	B1.01	SUPPLIES TO BE FURNISHED (DOMESTIC PC&S) (DESC MAR 1999)

6. Offerors are reminded that price escalation will be based on the methods outlined under Clause B19.19, ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT (PC&S) (DESC JUN 1997). Reference prices listed in Solicitation SP0600-99-R-0141 are based on prices for similar line items in the Washington Metropolitan area (See Attachment 2 of Master Solicitation SP0600-99-R-0059).

7. The closing date and time for receipt of offers is **October 8, 1999, 3:00 p.m. local time, Fort Belvoir, Virginia.** Your facsimile offer is requested for the above items in accordance with Clause L2.11-2, FACSIMILE PROPOSALS. The Defense Energy Support Center (DESC) facsimile number is (703) 767-8506. Please identify your offer by making reference to RFP SP0600-99-R-0141. Complete paragraph 3 above, providing your offer price and confirming the quantity offered.

8. Points of contact for this acquisition are Brian K. Ellison, Commodity Business Specialist, at (703) 767-9514, or David W. Peterson, Contract Specialist, at (703) 767-9505, or George W. Atwood III, Contracting Officer, at (703) 767-9509.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "George W. Atwood III". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "G" and "A".

GEORGE W. ATWOOD III
Contracting Officer
Ground Fuels Division I
Direct Delivery Fuels

II.03-3 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS - COMMERCIAL ITEMS (PC&S) (DESC AUG 1999)

(a) INSPECTION/ACCEPTANCE.

(1) The Contractor shall only tender for acceptance those items that conform to the requirements of this contract. The Government reserves the right to inspect or test any supplies or services that have been tendered for acceptance. The Government may require repair or replacement of nonconforming supplies or reperformance of nonconforming services at no increase in contract price. The Government must exercise its post-acceptance rights (i) within a reasonable time after the defect was discovered or should have been discovered; and (ii) before any substantial change occurs in the condition of the item, unless the change is due to the defect in the item.

(2) Also see the REQUESTS FOR WAIVERS AND DEVIATIONS clause in the Addendum.

(b) **ASSIGNMENT.** The Contractor or its assignee's right to be paid amounts due as a result of performance of this contract, may be assigned to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution, including any Federal lending agency in accordance with the Assignment of Claims Act (31 U.S.C. 3727).

(c) **CHANGES.** Changes in the terms and conditions of this contract may be made only by written agreement of the parties (buyer fill-in).

(d) **DISPUTES.** This contract is subject to the Contract Disputes Act of 1978, as amended (41 U.S.C. 601-613). Failure of the parties to this contract to reach agreement on any request for equitable adjustment, claim, appeal or action arising under or relating to this contract shall be a dispute to be resolved in accordance with the clause at FAR 52.233-1, DISPUTES, which is incorporated herein by reference. The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any dispute arising under the contract.

(e) **DEFINITIONS.** The clause at FAR 52.202-1, DEFINITIONS, is incorporated herein by reference.

(f) **EXCUSABLE DELAYS.** The Contractor shall be liable for default unless nonperformance is caused by an occurrence beyond the control of the Contractor and without its fault or negligence, such as acts of God or the public enemy, acts of the Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, unusually severe weather, and delays of common carriers. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing as soon as it is reasonably possible after the commencement of any excusable delay, setting forth the full particulars in connection therewith, shall remedy such occurrence with all reasonable dispatch, and shall promptly give written notice to the Contracting Officer of the cessation of such occurrence.

(g) **INVOICE.** The Contractor shall submit an original invoice and three copies (or electronic invoice, if authorized) to the address designated in the contract to receive invoices. An invoice must include--

- (1) Name and address of the Contractor;
- (2) Invoice date;
- (3) Contract number, contract line item number, and, if applicable, the order number;
- (4) Description, quantity, unit of measure, unit price, and extended price of the item delivered;
- (5) Shipping number and date of shipment including the bill of lading number and weight of shipment if shipped on Government bill of lading;
- (6) Terms of any prompt payment discount offered;
- (7) Name and address of official to whom payment is to be sent; and
- (8) Name, title, and phone number of person to be notified in event of defective invoice.

Invoices will be handled in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-125, Prompt Payment. Contractors are encouraged to assign an identification number to each invoice.

(h) **PATENT INDEMNITY.** The Contractor shall indemnify the Government and its officers, employees and agents against liability, including costs, for actual or alleged direct or contributory infringement of, or inducement to infringe, any United States or foreign patent, trademark or copyright, arising out of the performance of this contract, provided the Contractor is reasonably notified of such claims and proceedings.

(i) **PAYMENT.** Payment shall be made for items accepted by the Government that have been delivered to the delivery destinations set forth in this contract. The Government will make payment in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C 3903) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-125, Prompt Payment. Prompt payment discount will be applied to the total amount of each invoice. If the Government makes payment by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), see 52.212-5(b) for the appropriate EFT clause. In the event electronic funds transfers cannot be processed, the Government retains the option to make payment under this contract by check. In connection with any discount offered for early payment, time shall be computed from the date the invoice was received. For the purposes of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date that appears on the payment check or the date on which an EFT was made.

(j) **RISK OF LOSS.** Unless the contract specifically provides otherwise, risk of loss or damage to the supplies provided under this contract shall remain with the Contractor until, and shall pass to the Government upon--

- (1) Delivery of the supplies to a carrier, if transportation is f.o.b. origin; or
- (2) Delivery of the supplies to the Government at the destination specified in the contract, if transportation is f.o.b. destination.

(k) **TAXES.** See Addendum 2.

(l) **TERMINATION FOR THE GOVERNMENT'S CONVENIENCE.** The Government reserves the right to terminate this contract, or any part thereof, for its sole convenience. In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall immediately stop all work hereunder and shall immediately cause any and all of its suppliers and subcontractors to cease work. Subject to the terms and conditions of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid a percentage of the contract price reflecting the percentage of the work performed prior to the notice of termination, plus reasonable charges the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Government using its standard record keeping system, have resulted from the termination. The Contractor shall not be required to comply with the cost accounting standards or contract cost principles for this purposes. This paragraph does not give the Government any right to audit the Contractor's records. The Contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred which reasonably could have been avoided.

(m) **TERMINATION FOR CAUSE.** The Government may terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for cause in the event of any default by the Contractor, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any contract terms and conditions, or fails to provide the Government, upon request, with adequate assurances of future performance. In the event of termination for cause, the Government shall not be liable to the Contractor for any amount for supplies or services not accepted, and the Contractor shall be liable to the Government for any and all rights and remedies provided by law. If it is determined that the Government improperly terminated this contract for default, such termination shall be deemed a termination for convenience.

(n) **TITLE.** Unless specified elsewhere in this contract, title to items furnished under this contract shall pass to the Government upon acceptance, regardless of when or where the Government takes physical possession.

(o) **WARRANTY.** The Contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered hereunder are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.

(p) **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.** Except as otherwise provided by an express or implied warranty, the Contractor will not be liable to the Government for consequential damages resulting from any defect or deficiencies in accepted items.

(q) **OTHER COMPLIANCES.** The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, executive orders, rules, and regulations applicable to its performance under this contract.

(r) **COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS UNIQUE TO GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS.** The Contractor agrees to comply with 31 U.S.C. 1352 relating to limitations on the use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracts; 18 U.S.C. 431 relating to officials not to benefit; 40 U.S.C. 327 et seq., Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act; 41 U.S.C. 51-58, Anti-Kickback Act of 1986, 41 U.S.C. 265 and 10 U.S.C. 2409 relating to whistle blower protections; 49 U.S.C. 40118, Fly American; and 41 U.S.C. 423 relating to procurement integrity.

(s) **ORDER OF PRECEDENCE.** Any inconsistencies in this solicitation or contract shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

- (1) The schedule of supplies/services;
- (2) The Assignments; Disputes, Payments; Invoices; Other Compliances; and Compliance with Laws Unique to Government Contracts paragraphs of this clause;
- (3) The clause at 52.212-5;
- (4) Addenda to this solicitation or contract, including any license agreements for computer software;
- (5) Solicitation provisions if this is a solicitation;
- (6) Other paragraphs of this clause;
- (7) Standard Form 1449;
- (8) Other documents, exhibits, and attachments; and
- (9) The specification.

(FAR 52.212-4, **tailored**/DESC 52.212-9F50)

K1.06 DATA UNIVERSAL NUMBERING SYSTEM (DUNS) NUMBER (JUN 1999)

(a) The offeror shall enter, in the block with its name and address on the cover page of its offer, the annotation “**DUNS**” followed by the DUNS number that identifies the offeror’s name and address exactly as stated in the offer. The DUNS number is a nine-digit number assigned by Dun and Bradstreet Information Services.

(b) If the offeror does not have a DUNS number, it should contact Dun and Bradstreet directly to obtain one. A DUNS number will be provided immediately by telephone at no charge to the offeror. For information on obtaining a DUNS number, the offeror, if located within the United States, should call Dun and Bradstreet at **1-800-333-0505**. The offeror should be prepared to provide the following information:

- (1) Company name;
- (2) Company address;
- (3) Company telephone number;
- (4) Line of business;
- (5) Chief executive officer/key manager;
- (6) Date the company was started;
- (7) Number of people employed by the company; and
- (8) Company affiliation.

(c) Offerors located outside the United States may obtain the location and phone number of the local Dun and Bradstreet Information Services office from the Internet Home Page at <http://www.customerservice@dnb.com>. If an offeror is unable to locate a local service center, it may send an email to Dun and Bradstreet at globalinfo@mail.dnb.com.

(FAR 52.204-6)

K2.01 SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS STATUS (OCT 1998)

(a) **GENERAL.** This provision is used to assess an offeror's small disadvantaged business status for the purpose of obtaining a benefit on this solicitation. Status as a small business and status as a small disadvantaged business for general statistical purposes is covered by the provision at FAR 52.219-1, Small Business Program Representation.

(b) **REPRESENTATIONS.**

(1) **GENERAL.** The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that it is a small business under the size standard applicable to this acquisition; and either--

(i) ☐ It has received certification by the Small Business Administration as a small disadvantaged business concern consistent with 13 CFR 124, Subpart B; and

(A) No material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its certification.

(B) Where the concern is owned by one or more disadvantaged individuals, the net worth of each individual upon whom the certification is based does not exceed \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104(c)(2); and

(C) It is listed, on the date of this representation, on the register of small disadvantaged business concerns maintained by the Small Business Administration; or

(ii) ☐ It has submitted a completed application to the Small Business Administration or a Private Certifier to be certified as a small disadvantaged business concern in accordance with 13 CFR 124, Subpart B, and a decision on that application is pending, and that no material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its application was submitted.

(2) ☐ **For Joint Ventures.** The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that it is a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR 124.1002(f) and that the representations in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision is accurate for the small disadvantaged business concern that is participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name of the small disadvantaged business concern that is participating in the joint venture:

_____.]

(c) **PENALTIES AND REMEDIES.** Anyone who misrepresents any aspects of the disadvantaged status of a concern for the purposes of securing a contract or subcontract shall--

- (1) Be punished by imposition of a fine, imprisonment, or both;
- (2) Be subject to administrative remedies, including suspension and debarment; and
- (3) Be ineligible for participation in programs conducted under the authority of the Small Business Act.

(FAR 52.219-22)

K5 USE OF ELECTRONIC DATA INTERCHANGE (DESC MAY 1994)

(a) DEFINITIONS.

(1) **Electronic Data Interchange (EDI)** means the computer-to-computer exchange of business documents between trading partners using a public standard format.

(2) **American National Standards Institute (ANSI)** means the agency that formulates the guidelines for the standards used in EDI transactions. X12 is the ANSI subcommittee responsible for the development and maintenance of guidelines for use in exchanging standard business transactions electronically.

(3) **Trading partner** means any business customer engaging in an EDI program.

(4) **Trading Partner Agreement (TPA)** means the legal document wherein the trading partners agree to the electronic exchange of documents.

(5) **Value Added Network (VAN)** means the electronic mailbox through which EDI partners exchange business transactions.

(b) The Defense Energy Support Center (DESC) may utilize EDI for certain documents in contracts awarded under this solicitation. DESC has implemented a system using the (ANSI) X12 standards, as applicable, for EDI. When EDI procedures are to be used, DESC and the Contractor will enter into a TPA.

(c) ☐ A check in this block indicates that the Contractor has already entered into a TPA with DESC.

(d) Upon submission of the following data, DESC will forward a TPA to the Contractor for execution:

(1) Company Name: _____

(2) Point of Contact for EDI: _____

(3) POC's Telephone Number: _____

(4) POC's Address: _____

(5) VAN Service Provider(s): _____

(6) Provide information for the following fields:

ISA07 Company Qualifier _____

ISA08 Company Value _____

GS03 Company Value _____

(7) Please identify:

Element Separator: _____

Subelement Separator: _____

Segment Terminator: _____

(e) By execution of the TPA, the Contractor agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions of the agreement governing any transactions with the Government through EDI, in addition to the terms and conditions of the contract. TPAs will be contract independent. Only one will be signed between the Contractor and DESC. As contracts are awarded, the TPA will be incorporated into the specific contracts upon the mutual agreement of the Contractor and DESC.

(f) When a TPA is executed--

(1) The TPA shall identify, among other things, the VAN(s) through which electronic transmissions are made, the Transaction Sets available, security procedures, and guidelines for implementation.

(2) The Contractor shall be responsible for providing its own computer hardware, computer software, and VAN connections necessary to transmit and receive data electronically under the framework of the TPA.

(3) Transaction Sets will be unique to each contract and will be incorporated into contracts as agreed to by the parties.

(4) Nothing in the TPA will invalidate any part of the contract between the Contractor and DESC.

(5) All terms and conditions that would otherwise be applicable to a paper document shall apply to the electronic document.

(DESC 52.232-9F30)

K45.01 FACSIMILE OR ELECTRONIC INVOICING (DESC JAN 1998)

(a) **FACSIMILE INVOICING.**

(1) Submission of invoices by facsimile (FAX) is authorized when the offeror will utilize this method of invoicing at all times.

(2) Offeror shall indicate whether or not he intends to submit invoices via FAX:

[] YES [] NO

(3) See the SUBMISSION OF INVOICES FOR PAYMENT clause for FAX invoicing procedures.

(4) **RETURN OF INVOICES BY THE PAYING OFFICE.**

(i) Invoices deemed improper in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act may be returned to the offeror via FAX with the reason for return.

- (ii) The offeror's FAX number for returning improper invoices is--

(For overseas locations, include the country code)

(b) **ELECTRONIC INVOICING (EDI)**

(1) Electronic submission of invoices via Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) for all applicable items (as defined in the SUBMISSION OF INVOICES FOR PAYMENT clause) is authorized when the offeror will utilize this method of invoicing at all times for those affected items.

- (2) The offeror shall indicate whether it intends to submit electronic invoices via EDI.

[] YES [] NO

- (3) See the SUBMISSION OF INVOICES FOR PAYMENT for electronic invoicing procedures.

(DESC 52.232-9F20)

G3 INVOICE NUMBERING REQUIREMENTS (DESC AUG 1998)

Each invoice submitted for payment under this contract shall be identified by an individual invoice number. The number shall not be duplicated on subsequent invoices. Duplicate invoice numbers or invoices that do not include numbers may be rejected.

(DESC 52.211-9FH5)

G3.01 PAYMENT DUE DATE (DESC OCT 1988)

When payment due date falls on a Saturday or Sunday, or on a United States Official Federal holiday, payment will be due and payable on the following workday.

(DESC 52.232-9F45)

11.22-1 CANCELLATION, RESCISSION, AND RECOVERY OF FUNDS FOR ILLEGAL OR IMPROPER ACTIVITY (JAN 1997)

(a) If the Government receives information that a Contractor or a person has engaged in conduct constituting a violation of subsection (a), (b), (c), or (d) of section 27 of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 423) (the Act), as amended by section 4304 of the 1996 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal year 1996 (Pub. L. 104-106), the Government may--

- (1) Cancel the solicitation, if the contract has not yet been awarded or issued; or
(2) Rescind the contract with respect to which--

(i) The Contractor or someone acting for the Contractor has been convicted for an offense where the conduct constitutes a violation of subsection 27(a) or (b) of the Act for the purpose of either--

- (A) Exchanging the information covered by such subsections for anything of value; or
(B) Obtaining or giving anyone a competitive advantage in the award of a Federal agency

procurement contract; or

(ii) The head of the contracting activity has determined, based upon a preponderance of the evidence, that the Contractor or someone acting for the Contractor has engaged in conduct constituting an offense punishable under subsection 27(e)(1) of the Act.

(b) If the Government rescinds the contract under paragraph (a) of this clause, the Government is entitled to recover, in addition to any penalty prescribed by law, the amount expended under the contract.

(c) The rights and remedies of the Government specified herein are not exclusive, and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law, regulation, or under this contract.

(FAR 52.203-8)

I87 OBLIGATION TO ORDER WHEN AN SDB PRICE DIFFERENTIAL APPLIES (DEC 1991) DLAD

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this contract, the Government is not obligated to order items under this contract when the statutory authority has expired for a price differential reflected in the price of the item.

(DLAD 52.219-9001)

I171.01 SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING PLAN (ALT I) (JAN 1999/JAN 1999)

(a) This clause does not apply to small business concerns.

(b) **DEFINITIONS.**

(1) **Commercial product**, as used in this clause, means a product in regular production that is sold in substantial quantities to the general public and/or industry at established catalog or market prices. It also means a product which, in the opinion of the Contracting Officer, differs only insignificantly from the Contractor's commercial product.

(2) **Subcontract**, as used in this clause, means any agreement (other than one involving an employer-employee relationship) entered into by a Federal Government prime Contractor or subcontractor calling for supplies or services required for performance of the contract or subcontract.

(c) The apparent low bidder, upon request by the Contracting Officer, shall submit a subcontracting plan, where applicable, that separately addresses subcontracting with small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and with women-owned small business concerns. If the bidder is submitting an individual contract plan, the plan must separately address subcontracting with small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns, with a separate part for the basic contract and separate parts for each option (if any). The plan shall be included in and made part of the resultant contract. The subcontracting plan shall be submitted within the time specified by the Contracting Officer. Failure to submit the subcontracting plan shall make the bidder ineligible for the award of a contract.

(d) The offeror's subcontracting plan shall include the following:

(1) Goals, expressed in terms of percentages of total planned subcontracting dollars, for the use of small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns as subcontractors. The offeror shall include all subcontracts that contribute to contract performance, and may include a proportionate share of products and services that are normally allocated as indirect costs.

(2) A statement of --

- (i) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted;
- (ii) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to small business concerns;
- (iii) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to HUBZone small business concerns; and
- (iv) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to small disadvantaged business concerns; and
- (v) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to women-owned small business concerns

(3) A description of the principal types of supplies and services to be subcontracted, and an identification of the types planned for subcontracting to--

- (i) Small business concerns;
- (ii) HUBZone small business concerns;
- (iii) Small disadvantaged business concerns;
- (iv) Women-owned small business concerns.

(4) A description of the method used to develop the subcontracting goals in paragraph (d)(1) of this clause.

(5) A description of the method used to identify potential sources for solicitation purposes (e.g., existing company source lists, the Procurement Automated Source System (PASS) of the Small Business Administration, the National Minority Purchasing Council Vendor Information Service, the Research and Information Division of the Minority Business Development Agency in the Department of Commerce, or small, small disadvantaged and women-owned small business concerns trade associations). A firm may rely on the information contained in PASS as an accurate representation of a concern's size and ownership characteristics for purposes of maintaining a small business source list. Use of the PASS as its source list does not relieve a firm of its responsibilities (i.e., outreach, assistance, counseling, publicizing subcontracting opportunities) in this clause.

(6) A statement as to whether or not the offeror included indirect costs in establishing subcontracting goals, and a description of the method used to determine the proportionate share of indirect costs to be incurred with--

- (i) Small business concerns;
- (ii) HUBZone small business concerns;
- (iii) Small disadvantaged business concerns, and
- (iv) Women-owned small business concerns.

(7) The name of the individual employed by the offeror who will administer the offeror's subcontracting program, and a description of the duties of the individual.

(8) A description of the efforts the offeror will make to assure that small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns have an equitable opportunity to compete for subcontracts.

(9) Assurances that the offeror will include the clause in this contract entitled UTILIZATION OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities, and that the offeror will require all subcontractors (except small business concerns) that receive subcontracts in excess of \$500,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction of any public facility) to adopt a plan similar to the plan that complies with the requirements of this clause.

(10) Assurances that the offeror will--

(i) Cooperate in any studies or surveys as may be required;

(ii) Submit periodic reports so that the Government can determine the extent of compliance by the offeror with the subcontracting plan;

(iii) Submit Standard Form (SF) 294, Subcontracting Report for Individual Contracts, and/or SF 295, Summary Subcontract Report, following the instructions on the forms or as provided in agency regulations and in paragraph (j) of this clause; and

(iv) Ensure that its subcontractors agree to submit SF 294 and SF 295.

(11) A description of the types of records that will be maintained concerning procedures that have been adopted to comply with the requirements and goals in the plan, including establishing source lists; and a description of the offeror's efforts to locate small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns and award subcontracts to them. The records shall include at least the following (on a plant-wide or company-wide basis, unless otherwise indicated):

(i) Source lists, (e.g., PRO-Net), guides, and other data that identify small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, or women-owned small business concerns.

(ii) Organizations contacted in an attempt to locate sources that are small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, or women-owned small business concerns.

(iii) Records on each subcontract solicitation resulting in an award of more than \$100,000, indicating--

- (A) Whether small business concerns were solicited and if not, why not;
- (B) Whether HUBZone small business were solicited and, if not, why not;
- (C) Whether small disadvantaged business concerns were solicited and if not, why not;
- (D) Whether women-owned small business concerns were solicited and if not, why not, and
- (E) If applicable, the reason award was not made to a small business concern.

(iv) Records of any outreach efforts to contact--

(A) Trade associations;

(B) Business development organizations, and

(C) Conferences and trade fairs to locate small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business sources.

(v) Records of internal guidance and encouragement provided to buyers through--

- (A) Workshops, seminars, training, etc., and
- (B) Monitoring performance to evaluate compliance with the program's requirements.

(vi) On a contract-by-contract basis, records to support award data submitted by the offeror to the Government, including the name, address, and business size of each subcontractor. Contractors having commercial plans need not comply with this requirement.

(e) In order to effectively implement this plan to the extent consistent with efficient contract performance, the Contractor shall perform the following functions:

(1) Assist small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns by arranging solicitations, time for the preparation of bids, quantities, specifications, and delivery schedules so as to facilitate the participation by such concerns. Where the Contractor's lists of potential small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business subcontractors are excessively long, reasonable effort shall be made to give all such small business concerns an opportunity to compete over a period of time.

(2) Provide adequate and timely consideration of the potentialities of small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns in all "make-or-buy" decisions.

(3) Counsel and discuss subcontracting opportunities with representatives of small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business and women-owned small business firms.

(4) Provide notice to subcontractors concerning penalties and remedies for misrepresentations of business status as small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, or women-owned small business for the purpose of obtaining a subcontract that is to be included as part or all of a goal contained in the Contractor's subcontracting plan.

(f) A master plan on a plant or division-wide basis that contains all the elements required by paragraph (d) of this clause, except goals, may be incorporated by reference as a part of the subcontracting plan required of the offeror by this clause; provided--

(1) The master plan has been approved;

(2) The offeror ensures that the master plan is updated as necessary and provides copies of the approved master plan, including evidence of its approval, to the Contracting Officer; and

(3) Goals and any deviations from the master plan deemed necessary by the Contracting Officer to satisfy the requirements of this contract are set forth in the individual subcontracting plan.

(g) (1) If a commercial product is offered, the subcontracting plan required by this clause may relate to the offeror's production generally, for both commercial and noncommercial products, rather than solely to the Government contract. In these cases, the offeror shall, with the concurrence of the Contracting Officer, submit one company-wide or division-wide annual plan.

(2) The annual plan shall be reviewed for approval by the agency awarding the offeror its first prime contract requiring a subcontracting plan during the fiscal year, or by an agency satisfactory to the Contracting Officer.

(3) The approved plan shall remain in effect during the offeror's fiscal year for all of the offeror's commercial products.

(h) Prior compliance of the offeror with other such subcontracting plans under previous contracts will be considered by the Contracting Officer in determining the responsibility of the offeror for award of the contract.

(i) The failure of the Contractor or subcontractor to comply in good faith with--

(1) The clause of this contract entitled UTILIZATION OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS; or

(2) An approved plan required by this clause, shall be a material breach of the contract.

(j) **STANDARD FORM 295, SUMMARY SUBCONTRACT REPORT.** This report encompasses all the contracts with the awarding agency. It must be submitted semiannually for contracts with the Department of Defense and annually for contracts with civilian agencies. If the reporting activity is covered by a commercial plan, the reporting activity must report annually all subcontract awards under that plan. All reports submitted at the close of each fiscal year (both individual and commercial plans) shall include a breakout, in the Contractor's format, of subcontract awards, in whole dollars, to small disadvantaged business concerns by Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Major Group. For a commercial plan, the Contractor may obtain from each of its subcontractors a predominant SIC Major Group and report all awards to that subcontractor under its predominant SIC Major Group.

(FAR 52.219-9/ALT I)

I171.01-1 UTILIZATION OF INDIAN ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIAN-OWNED ECONOMIC ENTERPRISES (JAN 1999)

(a) For Department of Defense contracts, this clause applies only if the contract includes a subcontracting plan incorporated under the terms of the clause at FAR 52.219-9, SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING PLAN. It does not apply to contracts awarded based on a subcontracting plan submitted and approved under paragraph (g) of the clause at 52.219-9.

(b) **DEFINITIONS.** As used in this clause--

Indian means any person who is a member of any Indian tribe, band, group, pueblo, or community which is recognized by the Federal Government as eligible for services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) in accordance with 25 U.S.C. 1452(c) and any **Native** as defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601).

Indian organization means the governing body of any Indian tribe or entity established or recognized by the governing body of an Indian tribe for the purposes of 25 U.S.C., Chapter 17.

Indian-owned economic enterprise means any Indian-owned (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior) commercial, industrial, or business activity established or organized for the purpose of profit, provided that Indian ownership shall constitute not less than 51 percent of the enterprise.

Indian tribe means any Indian tribe, band, group, pueblo, or community, including native villages and native groups (including corporations organized by Kenai, Juneau, Sitka, and Kodiak) as defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, which is recognized by the Federal Government as eligible for services from BIA in accordance with 25 U.S.C. 1452(c).

Interested party means a prime Contractor or an actual or prospective offeror whose direct economic interest would be affected by the award of a subcontract or by the failure to award a subcontract.

(c) The Contractor agrees to use its best efforts to give Indian organizations and Indian-owned economic enterprises (25 U.S.C. 1544) the maximum practicable opportunity to participate in the subcontracts it awards to the fullest extent consistent with efficient performance of its contract.

(1) The Contracting Officer and the Contractor, acting in good faith, may rely on the self-certification of an Indian organization or Indian-owned economic enterprise as to its eligibility, unless an interested party challenges its status or the Contracting Officer has independent reason to question that status. In the event of a challenge to the self-certification of a subcontractor, the Contracting Officer shall refer the matter to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), ATTN: Chief, Division of Contracting and Grants Administration, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-334A-SIB, Washington, DC 20245. The BIA will determine the eligibility and notify the Contracting Officer. The five percent incentive payment will not be made within 50 working days of subcontract award or while a challenge is pending. If a subcontractor is determined to be an ineligible participant, no incentive payment will be made under the Indian Incentive Program.

(2) The Contractor may request an adjustment under the Indian Incentive Program to the following:

- (i) The estimated cost of a cost-type contract;
- (ii) The target cost of a cost-plus-incentive-fee prime contract;
- (iii) The target cost and ceiling price of a fixed-price incentive prime contract; or
- (iv) The price of a firm-fixed-price prime contract.

(3) The amount of the equitable adjustment to the prime contract shall be five percent of the estimated cost, target cost, or firm-fixed-price included in the subcontract initially awarded to the Indian organization or Indian-owned economic enterprise.

(4) The Contractor has the burden of proving the amount claimed and must assert its request for an adjustment prior to completion of contract performance.

(d) The Contracting Officer, subject to the terms and conditions of the contract and availability of funds, shall authorize an incentive payment of five percent of the amount paid to the subcontractor. The Contracting Officer shall seek funding in accordance with agency procedures. The Contracting Officer's decision is final and not subject to the DISPUTES clause of this contract.

(FAR 52.226-1)

I238.02 NOTICE OF PRICE EVALUATION PREFERENCE FOR HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS (JAN 1999)

(a) **DEFINITION. HUBZone small business concern**, as used in this clause, means a small business concern that appears on the List of Qualified HUBZone Small Business Concerns maintained by the Small Business Administration.

(b) **EVALUATION PREFERENCE.**

- (1) Offers will be evaluated by adding a factor of 10 percent to the price of all offers, except—
 - (i) Offers from HUBZone small business concerns that have not waived the evaluation preference;
 - (ii) Otherwise successful offers from small business concerns;
 - (iii) Otherwise successful offers of eligible products under the Trade Agreements Act when the dollar threshold for application of the Act is exceeded (see 25.402 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR)); and
 - (iv) Otherwise successful offers where application of the factor would be inconsistent with a Memorandum of Understanding or other international agreement with a foreign government.
- (2) The factor of 10 percent shall be applied on a line item basis or to any group of items on which award may be made. Other evaluation factors described in the solicitation shall be applied before application of the factor.
- (3) A concern that is both a HUBZone small business concern and a small disadvantaged business concern will receive the benefit of both the HUBZone small business price evaluation preference and the small disadvantaged business price evaluation adjustment (see FAR clause 52.219-23). Each applicable price evaluation preference or adjustment shall be calculated independently against an offeror's base offer. These individual preference amounts shall be added together to arrive at the total evaluated price for that offer.

(c) **WAIVER OF EVALUATION PREFERENCE.** A HUBZone small business concern may elect to waive the evaluation preference, in which case the factor will be added to its offer for evaluation purposes. The agreements in paragraph (d) of this clause do not apply if the offeror has waived the evaluation preference.

[] Offer elects to waive the evaluation preference.

(d) **AGREEMENT.** A HUBZone small business concern agrees that in the performance of the contract, in the case of a contract for--

- (1) Services (except construction), at least 50 percent of the cost of personnel for contract performance will be spent for employees of the concern or employees of other HUBZone small business concerns;
- (2) Supplies (other than procurement from a nonmanufacturer of such supplies), at least 50 percent of the cost of manufacturing, excluding the cost of materials, will be performed by the concern or other HUBZone small business concerns;
- (3) General construction, at least 15 percent of the cost of the contract performance incurred for personnel will be spent on the concern's employees or the employees of other HUBZone small business concerns; or
- (4) Construction by special trade contractors, at least 25 percent of the cost of the contract performance incurred for personnel will be spent on the concern's employees or the employees of other HUBZone small business concerns.
- (e) A HUBZone joint venture agrees that in the performance of the contract, the applicable percentage specified in paragraph (d) of this clause will be performed by the HUBZone small business participant or participants;
- (f) A HUBZone small business concern nonmanufacturer agrees to furnish in performing this contract only end items manufactured or produced by HUBZone small business manufacturer concerns. This paragraph does not apply in connection with construction or service contracts.

(FAR 52.219-4)

I240.01 NOTICE OF PRICE EVALUATION ADJUSTMENT FOR SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS CONCERNS (ALT I) (OCT 1998)

(a) **DEFINITIONS.** As used in this clause--

Small disadvantaged business concern means an offeror that represents, as part of its offer, that it is a small business under the size standard applicable to this acquisition and either--

- (1) It has received certification by the Small Business Administration as a small disadvantaged business concern consistent with 13 CFR 124, Subpart B; and
 - (i) No material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its certification;
 - (ii) Where the concern is owned by one or more disadvantaged individuals, the net worth of each individual upon whom the certification is based does not exceed \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104(c)(2); and
 - (iii) It is listed, on the date of this representation, on the register of small disadvantaged business concerns maintained by the Small Business Administration;
- (2) It has submitted a completed application to the Small Business Administration or a Private Certifier to be certified as a small disadvantaged business concern in accordance with 13 CFR 124, Subpart B, and a decision on that application is pending, and that no material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its application was submitted. In this case, in order to receive the benefit of a price evaluation adjustment, an offeror must receive certification as a small disadvantaged business concern by the Small Business Administration prior to contract award; or
- (3) Is a joint venture as defined in 13 CFR 124.1002(f).

Historically black college or university means an institution determined by the Secretary of Education to meet the requirements of 34 CFR 608.2. For the Department of Defense (DoD), the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), and the Coast Guard, the term also includes any nonprofit research institution that was an integral part of such a college or university before November 14, 1986.

Minority institution means an institution of higher education meeting the requirements of Section 1046(3) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1135d-5(3)) which, for purposes of this clause, includes a Hispanic-serving institution of higher education as defined in Section 316(b)(1) of the Act (20 U.S.C. 1059c(b)(1)).

United States means the United States, its territories and possessions, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, and the District of Columbia.

(b) **EVALUATION ADJUSTMENT.**

- (1) Offers will be evaluated by adding a factor of 10 percent to the price of all offers, except--
 - (i) Offers from small disadvantaged business concerns that have not waived the adjustment;
 - (ii) For DoD, NASA, and Coast Guard acquisitions, otherwise successful offers from historically black colleges or universities or minority institutions;
 - (iii) Otherwise successful offers of eligible products under the Trade Agreements Act when the dollar threshold for application of the Act is equaled or exceeded (see Section 25.402 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR));
 - (iv) Otherwise successful offers where application of the factor would be inconsistent with a Memorandum of Understanding or other international agreement with a foreign government; and
 - (v) For DoD acquisitions, otherwise successful offers of qualifying country end products (see sections 225.000-70 and 252.225-7001 of the Defense FAR Supplement).
- (2) The factor shall be applied on a line item basis or to any group of items which award may be made. Other evaluation factors described in the solicitation shall be applied before application of the factor. The factor may not be applied if using the adjustment would cause the contract award to be made at a price that exceeds the fair market price by more than the factor in paragraph (b)(1) of this clause.

(c) **WAIVER OF EVALUATION ADJUSTMENT.** A small disadvantaged business concern may elect to waive the adjustment, in which case the factor will be added to its offer for evaluation purposes. The agreements in paragraph (d) of this clause do not apply to offers that waive the adjustment.

[] Offeror elects to waive the adjustment.

(d) AGREEMENTS.

(1) A small disadvantaged business concern, that did not waive the adjustment, agrees that in performance of the contract, in the case of a contract for--

- (i) Services, except construction, at least 50 percent of the cost of personnel for contract personnel will be spent for employees of the concern;
- (ii) Supplies (other than procurement from a nonmanufacturer of such supplies), at least 50 percent of the cost of manufacturing, excluding the cost of materials, will be performed by the concern;
- (iii) General construction, at least 15 percent of the cost of the contract, excluding the cost of materials, will be performed by employees of the concern; or
- (iv) Construction by special trade contractors, at least 25 percent of the cost of the contract, excluding the cost of materials, will be performed by employees of the concern.

(2) A small disadvantaged business concern submitting an offer in its own name agrees to furnish in performing this contract only end items manufactured or produced by small business concerns in the United States. This paragraph does not apply in connection with construction or service contracts.

(FAR 52.219-23/Alt I)

I28.03-2 TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES (DESC JUL 1999)

(a) **FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL EXCISE TAXES.** Contractor's request for tax exemption certificates covering any Federal, State, local excise tax, or Kentucky Sales and Use Tax excluded from the contract price pursuant to the terms of this contract shall be forwarded with Contractor's invoices or as otherwise indicated by the Ordering Officer, except for (1) deliveries of motor gasoline or diesel fuel to Army and Navy activities, in which case requests for tax exemption certificates should be forwarded to the Ordering Officer, and (2) deliveries of all fuels to the National Guard, in which case such activities shall indicate the procedure for processing tax exemption certificates. Upon the Contractor's request for a tax exempt certificate, if the Government fails to provide tax exempt certificates to the Contractor, the Contractor shall notify the DESC Contracting Officer and invoice the applicable payment office for said taxes as an additional line item on the invoice. The DESC Contracting Officer may authorize payment of the tax if the ordering office or activity refuses to issue the tax exemption certificate.

(b) **GOVERNMENT OPTION TO DEDUCT TAX AND FURNISH TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES.** If this contract provides that the Contractor is to invoice for the Federal tax, the supplies to be furnished under such item at the time this contract is entered into are generally intended for a purpose for which tax exemption cannot be claimed. However, in instances where the invoice price for any item includes the excise tax and tax exemption can be claimed, the applicable tax may be deducted from the order or the invoice by the Government and a tax exemption certificate furnished in lieu of paying the tax. Tax exemption certificates to be furnished under this paragraph (b) will be issued by the Ordering Officer.

(DESC 52.229-9F45)

C16.69 FUEL SPECIFICATIONS (PC&S) (DESC JUL 1999)

Supplies delivered under this contract shall conform to all Federal, State, and local environmental requirements applicable to the geographic location of the receiving activity on the date of delivery. The list of such requirements contained in this contract is not intended to be a complete list, and the Contractor shall be responsible for determining the existence of all such requirements at the time deliveries are made. In the event that a Federal, State, or local environmental requirement is more stringent than a specification contained in this contract, the Contractor shall deliver product that complies with the more stringent requirement. Product that fails to meet the more stringent requirement will be considered to be a nonconforming supply. Product(s) to be supplied shall fully meet the requirements of the applicable specification(s) as cited below.

NOTE: Gasoline Reid Vapor Pressure (RVP) specification requirements are seasonal and vary geographically throughout the United States. Therefore, Contractors are expected to know the local, State, or Federal RVP requirements of areas being supplied and comply with those requirements.

(a) **GASOLINE, AUTOMOTIVE, UNLEADED, GRADES REGULAR, MIDGRADE, AND PREMIUM.**
ASTM D 4814 applies.

<u>(1)</u>	<u>NATIONAL STOCK NUMBER</u>	<u>PRODUCT NOMENCLATURE (6)</u>	<u>AKI, MINIMUM</u>
	9130-00-148-7103	Gasoline, Regular Unleaded	87(3)
	9130-01-272-0983	Gasoline, Midgrade Unleaded	89
	9130-00-148-7104	Gasoline, Premium Unleaded	91

(1) The following oxygenates are permitted at this time:

<u>OXYGENATE</u>	<u>VOLUME % ALLOWED</u>
Ethanol (only during the oxygenated fuel season)	9.0 min. to 11.0 max.
Methyl tertiary-butyl ether (MTBE)	15.0 max.
Ethyl tertiary-butyl ether (ETBE)	17.0 max.

(2) Reductions for altitude and seasonal variations are allowed for all AKI values in accordance with figures X1.2 and X1.3 of ASTM D 4814.

(3) In addition to an AKI of 87 minimum, the MON must not be less than 82.

(4) Blending of oxygenates into gasoline to meet oxygenated fuel requirements shall be accomplished by mechanical mixing or agitation in a tank, or by in-line blending, prior to loading the product into transport equipment, and the resultant product must meet contract requirements.

(5) See the SPECIFICATIONS (CONT'D) clause for additional regional gasoline requirements.

(b) **GASOHOL, AUTOMOTIVE, UNLEADED, GRADES REGULAR, MIDGRADE, AND PREMIUM.** In accordance with Executive Order 12261 of January 5, 1981, "Gasohol in Federal Motor Vehicles," Gasohol may be considered an acceptable substitute for Unleaded Gasoline. The Unleaded Gasoline items that permit the substitution of Gasohol are identified in the Schedule. Contractors are required to state, for each line item in their offer, whether Gasohol will be provided. Contractors will not be permitted to substitute Unleaded Gasoline under line items awarded as gasohol. Also, Contractors are not permitted to substitute gasohol for gasoline under line items awarded as gasoline, except when Government regulations mandate use of fuel containing an oxygenate for control of carbon monoxide pollution. CID A-A-52530 dated October 10, 1995, applies.

<u>(1)</u>	<u>NATIONAL STOCK NUMBER</u>	<u>PRODUCT NOMENCLATURE</u>	<u>AKI, MINIMUM</u>
	9130-01-090-1093	Gasohol, Regular Unleaded	87
	9130-01-355-2393	Gasohol, Midgrade Unleaded	89
	9130-01-090-1094	Gasohol, Premium Unleaded	91

(1) Reductions for altitude and seasonal variations are allowed for all AKI values in accordance with figures X1.2 and X1.3 of ASTM D 4814.

(2) Blending of ethanol into gasoline to make gasohol shall be accomplished by mechanical mixing or agitation in a tank, or by in-line blending, prior to loading the product into transport equipment, and the resultant product must meet contract requirements.

(3) See the SPECIFICATIONS (CONT'D) clause for additional regional requirements affecting gasohol.

(c) **REFORMULATED GASOLINE, AUTOMOTIVE, UNLEADED, GRADES REGULAR, MIDGRADE, AND PREMIUM.** ASTM D 4814 applies, as modified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requirements detailed in 40 CFR Part 80 - "Regulation of Fuels and Fuel Additives; Standards for Reformulated and Conventional Gasoline; Final Rule," published in the February 16, 1994 Federal Register. In part, these regulations mandate that reformulated gasoline must meet two performance requirements: no net increase in emissions of oxides of nitrogen versus the baseline gasoline marketed by a refiner in 1990; and a 15 percent reduction in emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) versus the baseline gasoline marketed by a refiner in 1990. Further, these regulations mandate that reformulated gasoline must meet three compositional requirements: 2.0 weight percent minimum oxygen; 1.0 volume percent maximum benzene; and no heavy metals (lead and manganese are examples of such metals).

<u>(1)</u>	<u>NATIONAL STOCK NUMBER</u>	<u>PRODUCT NOMENCLATURE</u>	<u>AKI, MINIMUM</u>
	9130-01-388-4080	Reformulated Gasoline, Regular	87
	9130-01-388-4513	Reformulated Gasoline, Midgrade	89
	9130-01-388-4524	Reformulated Gasoline, Premium	91

(1) Reductions for altitude and seasonal variations are allowed for all AKI values in accordance with figures X1.2 and X1.3 of ASTM D 4814.

(2) Blending of permissible oxygenate into gasoline shall be accomplished by mechanical mixing or agitation in a tank, or by in-line blending, prior to loading the product into transport equipment, and the resultant product must meet contract requirements.

(3) See the SPECIFICATIONS (CONT'D) clause for additional regional reformulated gasoline requirements.

(d) **DIESEL FUEL.** ALL FACILITIES REQUIRING DIESEL FUEL FOR ON-HIGHWAY USE SHALL BE SUPPLIED PRODUCT WITH A MAXIMUM SULFUR CONTENT OF 0.05 WEIGHT PERCENT.

NOTE: FROM JULY 1, 1999, TO JANUARY 1, 2004, ALASKA IS EXEMPT FROM THE DIESEL FUEL MAXIMUM SULFUR CONTENT OF 0.05 WEIGHT PERCENT FOR ON-HIGHWAY USE STATED. THIS TEMPORARY EXEMPTION IS PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER (VOL 64) DATED 25 JUNE 1999, 40 CFR PART 69.

(1) **APPLICABLE TO GRADES DL2, DL1, DLS, DLW, DF2, AND DF1 ONLY.** Product shall conform to the Commercial Item Description A-A-52557, Fuel Oil, Diesel, For Posts, Camps, and Stations, dated January 2, 1996. Product classification is shown below.

LOW SULFUR GRADES

<u>NATIONAL STOCK NUMBER</u>	<u>PRODUCT NOMENCLATURE</u>	<u>DESC PRODUCT CODE</u>	<u>MAXIMUM SULFUR CONTENT</u>	<u>RED</u>
<u>DYE</u>				
9140-00-000-0184	Grade Low Sulfur No. 2-D	DL2	0.05 wt%	No
9140-00-000-0185	Grade Low Sulfur No. 1-D	DL1	0.05 wt%	No
9140-01-413-7511	Grade Low Sulfur No. 2-D	DLS	0.05 wt%	Yes
9140-01-412-1311	Grade Low Sulfur No. 1-D	DLW	0.05 wt%	Yes

HIGH SULFUR GRADES

<u>NATIONAL STOCK NUMBER</u>	<u>PRODUCT NOMENCLATURE</u>	DESC PRODUCT <u>CODE</u>	MAXIMUM SULFUR <u>CONTENT</u>	<u>RED</u>
<u>DYE</u>				
9140-00-286-5294	Grade No. 2-D	DF2	0.50 wt%	Yes
9140-00-286-5286	Grade No. 1-D	DF1	0.50 wt%	Yes

(i) Unless otherwise specified in the Schedule, the cloud point shall be equal to or lower than the tenth percentile minimum ambient temperature specified in Appendix X4 of ASTM D 975.

(ii) Fuel Stabilizer Additive, Corrosion Inhibitor/Lubricity Improver, and Fuel System Icing Inhibitor are not mandatory additives.

(iii) As a means of identification, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) requires that a red dye, identified as Solvent Red 164 (alkyl derivatives of azo benzene azo naphthol), must be added to all nontaxable diesel and all nontaxable kerosene used for purposes other than military jet fuel. The definitions of diesel and kerosene are provided in 26 CFR Section 48.4081-1. The minimum concentration is provided in 40 CFR Part 80.

(iv) **FOR ALASKA LOCATIONS.** From July 1, 1999, to January 1, 2004, Alaska is exempt from the EPA's diesel fuel dyeing requirements stated in 40 CFR Part 80 as long as the diesel fuel meets a minimum cetane index of 40. This temporary exemption is published in the Federal Register (Vol 64) dated 25 June 1999, 40 CFR Part 69.

(A) In the event high-sulfur diesel fuel is shipped from Alaska to the lower 48 states, it would be necessary for the producer or shipping facility to add dye to the noncomplying fuel before it is introduced into commerce in the lower 48 states. In addition, supporting documentation must clearly indicate the fuel may not comply with the sulfur standard for motor vehicle diesel fuel and is not to be used in a motor vehicle.

(B) Conversely, EPA will not require high sulfur diesel fuel to be dyed if it is being shipped from the lower 48 states to Alaska, but supporting documentation must substantiate that the fuel is only for shipment to Alaska and that it may not comply with the sulfur standard for motor vehicle diesel fuel.

(2) **APPLICABLE TO GRADES LS2, LS1, LSS, LSW, HS2, AND HS1 ONLY.** Product shall conform to ASTM D 975. Product classification is shown below:

LOW SULFUR GRADES

<u>NATIONAL STOCK NUMBER</u>	<u>PRODUCT NOMENCLATURE</u>	DESC PRODUCT <u>CODE</u>	MAXIMUM SULFUR <u>CONTENT</u>	<u>RED</u>
<u>DYE</u>				
9140-01-398-0697	Grade Low Sulfur No. 2-D	LS2	0.05 wt%	No
9140-01-398-1130	Grade Low Sulfur No. 1-D	LS1	0.05 wt%	No
9140-01-413-4919	Grade Low Sulfur No. 2-D	LSS	0.05 wt%	Yes
9140-01-413-7494	Grade Low Sulfur No. 1-D	LSW	0.05 wt%	Yes

HIGH SULFUR GRADES

<u>NATIONAL STOCK NUMBER</u>	<u>PRODUCT NOMENCLATURE</u>	<u>DESC PRODUCT CODE</u>	<u>MAXIMUM SULFUR CONTENT</u>	<u>RED</u>
<u>DYE</u>				
9140-01-398-1395	Grade No. 2-D	HS2	0.50 wt%	Yes
9140-01-398-1422	Grade No. 1-D	HS1	0.50 wt%	Yes

(i) Unless otherwise specified in the Schedule, the cloud point shall be equal to or lower than the tenth percentile minimum ambient temperature specified in Appendix X4 of ASTM D 975.

(ii) As a means of identification, the IRS requires that a red dye, identified as Solvent Red 164 (alkyl derivatives of azo benzene azo naphthol) must be added to all nontaxable diesel and all nontaxable kerosene used for purposes other than military jet fuel. The definitions of diesel and kerosene are provided in 26 CFR Section 48.4081-1. The minimum concentration is provided in 40 CFR Part 80.

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(B) Conversely, EPA will not require high sulfur diesel fuel to be dyed if it is being shipped from the lower 48 states to Alaska, but supporting documentation must substantiate that the fuel is only for shipment to Alaska and that it may not comply with the sulfur standard for motor vehicle diesel fuel.

(3) **APPLICABLE TO ALL GRADES.** Blending of one grade of diesel fuel with another grade, or other compatible components, to produce a different grade or a variation within a grade is permitted. However, such blending shall be accomplished by mechanical mixing or agitation in a tank, or by in-line blending, prior to loading the product into transport equipment, and the resultant product must meet all the requirements of the desired fuel.

(4) **APPLICABLE TO #1 DIESEL GRADES ONLY.** DESC frequently requires #1 diesel fuel grades when it is anticipated that the fuel may be exposed to temperatures below 10°F (-12°C). This product shall conform to ASTM Specification D 975 or CID A-A-52557. Contractors electing to deliver kerosene to meet #1 diesel fuel requirements must--

(i) Provide certification to the Contracting Officer prior to 1 October of each year that the kerosene will meet #1 diesel fuel specifications, including specifically, viscosity and cetane index; **AND**

(ii) For each delivery, submit relevant documents (delivery tickets, bills of lading, etc.) indicating that #1 diesel fuel is being delivered.

(e) **FUEL OIL, BURNER, GRADES 1, 2, 4(LIGHT), 4, 5(LIGHT), 5(HEAVY), AND 6.** ASTM D 396 applies.

NATIONAL STOCK NUMBERPRODUCT NOMENCLATURE

9140-00-247-4366	Fuel Oil, Burner 1
9140-00-247-4365	Fuel Oil, Burner 2
9140-01-107-6139	Fuel Oil, Burner 4 (Light)
9140-00-247-4360	Fuel Oil, Burner 4
9140-01-058-4431	Fuel Oil, Burner 5 (Light)
9140-00-247-4359	Fuel Oil, Burner 5 (Heavy)
9140-00-247-4354	Fuel Oil, Burner 6

(1) Refer to the Schedule of the maximum allowable sulfur content for Burner Oil, Grades 4, 4(Light), 5(Light), 5(Heavy), and 6. The maximum allowable sulfur content for Burner Oil, Grades 1 and 2, shall be 0.5 weight percent or State/local environmental requirements, whichever is more stringent.

(2) **FUEL OIL, BURNER, GRADES 4, 4(LIGHT), 5(LIGHT), 5(HEAVY), AND 6.** All residual grades of burner fuel oil (Grades 4, 4(Light), 5(Light), 5(Heavy), and 6) shall consist of fossil-derived hydrocarbon stock. When the fuel oil offered contains used oil or other recycled petroleum components, the product shall meet the additional minimum specification requirements as follows:

<u>ALLOWABLE</u> <u>CONSTITUENT/PROPERTY</u> <u>LEVEL</u>		<u>TEST METHOD</u> ¹	<u>REQUIRED</u> <u>DETECTION LIMIT</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>
1.	Arsenic	EPA SW-846 6010 ^{2,3,4}	0.5 ppm max	5 ppm max
2.	Cadmium	EPA SW-846 6010 ^{2,3} 0.2 ppm max	2 ppm max	
3.	Chromium	EPA SW-846 6010 ^{2,3} 1.0 ppm max	10 ppm max	
4.	Lead	EPA SW-846 6010 ^{2,3} 10 ppm max	100 ppm max	
5.	Total Halogens max	EPA SW-846 5050/9056 ⁵	NA	1000 ppm
6.	Flash Point min	ASTM D 93	NA	100°F (38°C)

NOTES:

1. Choose the appropriate sample preparation method as outlines in EPA SW-846, in order to achieve required detection limits.

2. Background correction must be performed for test method 6010. Laboratory control sample(s) (LCS) containing target analytes must be run for each Quality Control (QC) batch. The LCS must be matrix matched and made with commercially available National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) traceable organo-metallic standards. LCS recovery must fall between 80-120 percent. Adherence to all required method QC must be documented and available for review.

3. If the required detection limit of 0.5 ppm cannot be achieved by test method 6010, test method 7060 may be used in order to achieve that requirement. Background correction must be performed. Zeeman or Smith-Hieftje interference correction will be used. Deuterium interference correction will not be accepted under any circumstance. An analytical spike must be performed for each sample. LCS must be prepared and analyzed as outlined in Note 2 above. Adherence to all required method QC must be documented and available for review.

4. Test method 6020 may be used in place of test method 6010. LCS must be prepared and analyzed as outlined in note 2 above. Adherence to all required method QC must be documented and available for review.

5. A bomb blank must be run and analyzed for each QC batch. A LCS of an NIST traceable organic chloride must be run with each QC batch. LCS recovery must fall between 80-120 percent. Adherence to all required method QC must be documented and available for review.

(3) The above specification requirements reflect the Federal EPA specifications for used oil contained in 40 CFR Parts 266 and 279. If State or local requirements for used oil are more stringent, the fuel oil offered will be required to comply with such. Copies of SW-846 (Test Method for Evaluating Solid Waste) can be obtained from the U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20422, stock number 955-001-00000-1. Test methods must be run by a State certified laboratory.

(4) The supply of off-specification used oil as described in EPA regulations, 40 CFR Parts 266 and 279, is not acceptable.

A CONTRACTOR WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO SUPPLY PRODUCT CONTAINING USED OIL UNLESS (1) IT DISCLOSED IN ITS OFFER THAT PRODUCT WOULD CONTAIN USED OIL, AND (2) THE SUPPLY OF PRODUCT CONTAINING USED OIL IS APPROVED BY THE CONTRACTING OFFICER PRIOR TO AWARD.

[] The offeror represents that it will provide certified test reports with associated QC documents validating EPA used oil standards, contained in 40 CFR Parts 266 and 279, or State/local requirements, whichever is more stringent, for all contract deliveries under the line items identified above to--

ATTN: DESC-BPE ROOM 2954
 DEFENSE ENERGY SUPPORT CENTER
 8725 JOHN J KINGMAN ROAD SUITE 4950
 FORT BELVOIR VA 22060-6222

Offeror's EPA Identification Number: _____

(5) Blending of various compatible grades of burner oil to produce an intermediate grade is permitted; however, such blending shall be accomplished by mechanical mixing or agitation in a tank, or by in-line blending, prior to loading the product into transport equipment, and the resultant product must meet all the requirements of the grade produced.

(6) The maximum allowable ash content for Burner Oil, Grade 6, shall be .50 wt %, using ASTM D 874, Standard Test Method for Sulfated Ash from Lubricating Oils and Additives.

(f) **KEROSENE**. Product shall conform to ASTM D 3699. Classification of product is shown below.

LOW SULFUR GRADES

<u>NATIONAL STOCK NUMBER</u>	<u>PRODUCT NOMENCLATURE</u>	<u>DESC PRODUCT CODE</u>	<u>MAXIMUM SULFUR CONTENT</u>	<u>RED</u>
<u>DYE</u>				
9140-01-292-4460	Kerosene, Grade No. 1-K	KS1	0.04 wt% max	No
9140-01-461-3989	Kerosene, Grade No. 1-K	KSR	0.04 wt% max	Yes

HIGH SULFUR GRADES

<u>NATIONAL STOCK NUMBER</u>	<u>PRODUCT NOMENCLATURE</u>	<u>DESC PRODUCT CODE</u>	<u>MAXIMUM SULFUR CONTENT</u>	<u>RED</u>
<u>DYE</u>				
9140-00-242-6748	Kerosene, Grade No. 2-K	KSN	0.30 wt% max	Yes

NOTE: The IRS requires taxation of No. 1-K and No. 2-K kerosene upon removal from the terminal unless the kerosene is indelibly (cannot be removed) dyed or used for military jet fuel. These requirements, part of 26 CFR 48 - Manufacturers and Retailers Excise Taxes, were published in the July 1, 1998, Federal Register. Only undyed (taxable) No. 1-K kerosene is suitable for use in nonflued (unvented) kerosene burner appliances. No. 2-K kerosene (dyed or undyed) is unsuitable for nonflued (unvented) kerosene burner appliances.

The color test requirement is deleted if red dye has been added in compliance with IRS regulations; however, the resulting fuel/dye blend must have a red tint.

(DESC 52.246-9FW5)

C16.69-3 SPECIFICATIONS (CONT'D) (COG 3) (DESC MAR 1999)

SPECIAL NOTE: The following paragraph is a restatement of paragraph (a) of the FUEL SPECIFICATIONS (PC&S) clause and is included for emphasis.

Supplies delivered under this contract shall conform to all Federal, State, and local environmental requirements applicable to the geographic location of the receiving activity on the date of delivery. The list of such requirements contained in this contract is not intended to be a complete list, and the Contractor shall be responsible for determining the existence of all such requirements at the time deliveries are made. In the event that a Federal, State, or local environmental requirement is more stringent than a specification contained in this contract, the Contractor shall deliver product that complies with the more stringent requirement. Product that fails to meet the more stringent requirement will be considered to be a nonconforming supply.

REFORMULATED GASOLINE REQUIREMENTS. Reformulated gasoline is designed to reduce air toxins and volatile organic compound emissions (VOCs) by decreasing the amount of toxic compounds, such as benzene, lowering the evaporation rate, and increasing the amount of oxygenate blended with the fuel.

<u>CONTENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>	<u>MINIMUM OXYGEN</u>
	DELAWARE COUNTIES		
	Kent, New Castle, Sussex	Year Round	2.0 Wt%
	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA		
		Year Round	2.0 Wt%
	INDIANA COUNTIES		
	Lake, Porter	Year Round	2.0 Wt%
	KENTUCKY COUNTIES		
	Boone, Bullitt (part), Campbell, Jefferson, Kenton, Oldham (part)	Year Round	2.0 Wt%
	MARYLAND CITIES		
	Baltimore	Year Round	2.0 Wt%

MARYLAND COUNTIES

Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Calvert, Carroll, Cecil, Charles, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Kent, Montgomery, Prince George's, Queen Anne's	Year Round	2.0 Wt%
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VIRGINIA CITIES

Alexandria, Chesapeake, Colonial Heights, Fairfax, Falls Church, Hampton, Hopewell, Manassas, Manassas Park, Newport News, Norfolk, Poqoson, Portsmouth, Richmond, Suffolk, Virginia Beach, Williamsburg	Year Round	2.0 Wt%
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VIRGINIA COUNTIES

Arlington, Charles City, Chesterfield, Fairfax, Hanover, Henrico, James City, Loudoun, Prince William, Stafford, York	Year Round	2.0 Wt%
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(DESC 52.246-9FY1)

L46 SINGLE UNIT PRICE REQUIRED (DESC MAR 1999)

Subparagraph (b)(3) of the DELIVERY CONDITIONS (by various means) clause defines the minimum amount of product that can be required in a single delivery for tank wagons. All offerors must offer a single unit price to provide for the minimum required delivery for tank wagons. All offerors must offer a single unit price to cover any quantity of product that may be required in a single delivery under the contract. Offers that provide for a unit price that fluctuates according to the quantity delivered in a single delivery are not acceptable.

(DESC 52.216-9F10)

**K1.01-12 SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM NOTICE (DESC MAR 1999)
NOTICE.**

(a) If this solicitation is for supplies and has been set aside, in whole or in part, for small business concerns, then the clause in this solicitation providing notice of the set-aside contains restrictions on the source of the end items to be furnished.

(b) Under 15 U.S.C. 645(d), any person who misrepresents a firm's status as a small or small disadvantaged business concern in order to obtain a contract to be awarded under the preference programs established pursuant to sections 8(a), 8(d), 9, or 15 of the Small Business Act or any other provision of Federal law that specifically references section 8(d) for a definition of program eligibility, shall--

- (1) Be punished by imposition of a fine, imprisonment, or both;
- (2) Be subject to administrative remedies, including suspension and debarment; and
- (3) Be ineligible for participation in programs conducted under the authority of the Act.

(DESC 52.219-9F25)

II.04 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS - COMMERCIAL ITEMS (MAY 1999)

(a) The Contractor agrees to comply with the following FAR clauses, which are incorporated in this contract by reference, to implement provisions of law or executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

- (1) 52.222-3, Convict Labor (E.O. 11755); and
- (2) 52.233-3, Protest After Award (31 U.S.C. 3553).

(b) The Contractor agrees to comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (b), which the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items or components:

(Contracting Officer shall check as appropriate.)

☒ 52.203-6, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government, with Alternate I (41 U.S.C. 253g and 10 U.S.C. 2402).

☐ 52.219-3, Notice of Total HUBZone Small Business Set-Aside (Jan 1999).

☒ 52.219-4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (Jan 1999) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer).

☐ 52.219-5, Very Small Business Set-Aside (Pub. L. 103-403, section 304, Small Business Reauthorization and Amendments Act of 1994). ☐ Alt I. ☐ Alt II.

☒ 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)).

☐ 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (15 U.S.C. 637 (d)(4)).

☒ 52.219-14, Limitation on Subcontracting (15 U.S.C. 637(a)(14)).

☒ 52.219-23, Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns (Pub. L. 103-355, section 7102, and 10 U.S.C. 2323) (if the offeror elects to waive the adjustment, it shall so indicate in its offer). ☐ Alt I.

☒ 52.219-25, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program - Disadvantaged Status and Reporting (Pub. L. 103-355, section 7102, and 10 U.S.C. 2323).

☐ 52.219-26, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program - Incentive Subcontracting (Pub. L. 103-355, section 7102, and 10 U.S.C. 2323).

☒ 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (Feb 1999).

☒ 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (E.O. 11246).

☒ 52.222-35, Affirmative Action for Disabled Veterans and Veterans of the Vietnam Era (38 U.S.C. 4212).

☒ 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (29 U.S.C. 793).

☒ 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Disabled Veterans and Veterans of the Vietnam Era (38 U.S.C. 4212).

- ☐ 52.225-3, Buy American Act - Supplies (41 U.S.C 10).
- ☒ 52.225-9, Buy American Act - Trade Agreements Act - Balance of Payments Program (41.U.S.C. 10, 19 U.S.C. 2501-2582).
- ☐ 52.225-18, European Union Sanction for End Products (E.O. 12849).
- ☐ 52.225-19, European Union Sanction for Services (E.O. 12849).
- ☐ 52.225-21, Buy American Act - North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act - Balance of Payments Program (41 U.S.C. 10, Pub. L. 103-187). ☐ Alt I.
- ☐ 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer -- Central Contractor Registration (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- ☐ 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer -- Other than Central Contractor Registration (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- ☐ 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- ☐ 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (5 U.S.C. 552a).
- ☐ 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (46 U.S.C. 1241).

(c) The Contractor agrees to comply with FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to commercial services, which the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items or components:

(Contracting Officer check as appropriate)

- ☐ 52.222-41, Service Contract Act of 1965, as amended (41 U.S.C. 351, et seq.).
- ☐ 52.222-42, Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. 351 et seq.).
- ☐ 52.222-43, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Act - Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. 351 et seq.).
- ☐ 52.222-44, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Act - Price Adjustment (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. 351 et seq.).
- ☐ 52.222-47, SCA Minimum Wages and Fringe Benefits Applicable to Successor Contract Pursuant to Predecessor Contractor Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) (41 U.S.C. 351 et seq.).

(d) **COMPTROLLER GENERAL EXAMINATION OF RECORD.** The Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of this paragraph (d) if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, and does not contain the clause at 52.215-2, AUDIT AND RECORDS - NEGOTIATION.

(1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.

(2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR Subpart 4.7, Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the DISPUTES clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.

(3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.

(e) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to include any FAR clause, other than those listed below (and as may be required by any addenda to this paragraph to establish the reasonableness of prices under Part 15), in a subcontract for commercial items or commercial components:

52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (E.O. 11246);

52.222-35, Affirmative Action for Disabled Veterans and Veterans of the Vietnam Era (38 U.S.C. 4212); and

52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (29 U.S.C. 793).

52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (46 U.S.C. 1241) (flow down not required for subcontracts awarded beginning May 1, 1996).

(FAR 52.212-5)

L2.05-5 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS - COMMERCIAL ITEMS (PC&S) (DESC AUG 1999)

(a) **AMENDMENTS TO SOLICITATIONS.** If this solicitation is amended, all terms and conditions that are not amended remain unchanged. Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation by the date and time specified in the amendment(s).

(b) **MASTER SOLICITATION.**

(1) This solicitation is [], is not [X] a master solicitation for the COG 3 Program. If this is a master solicitation, it will contain the terms and conditions for this solicitation and for future supplemental solicitations in the program year. Each supplemental solicitation will incorporate by reference the same terms and conditions as this master solicitation, except as specifically stated in that supplemental solicitation. The identical terms and conditions will not be repeated. (Therefore, if this is a master solicitation, it should be retained for the duration of the program.) However, each supplemental solicitation will be considered a separate and individual solicitation.

(2) The initial opening/closing date for the solicitation is 8 OCTOBER 1999. Subsequent openings/closings for future requirements will be on an as-required basis starting with the first supplemental solicitation and thereafter until the end of the program ordering period as stated in the solicitation.

(c) **SUBMISSION, MODIFICATION, REVISION, AND WITHDRAWAL OF OFFERS.**

(1) Unless other methods (e.g., electronic commerce or facsimile) are permitted in the solicitation, signed and dated offers and modifications thereto shall be submitted in paper media in sealed envelopes or packages (i) addressed to the office specified in the solicitation, and (ii) showing the time and date specified for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror at or before the exact time specified in this solicitation. Offerors using commercial carriers should ensure that the offer is marked on the outermost wrapper with the information in subdivisions (i) and (ii) above. Offers may be submitted on the SF 1449, letterhead stationery, or as otherwise specified in the solicitation.

(2) The first page of the offer must show--

(i) The solicitation number;

(ii) The name, address, and telephone and facsimile numbers of the offeror (and electronic address if available);

(iii) Include name, title, and signature of person authorized to sign the offer. Offers signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the issuing office.

- (iv) A technical description of the items being offered in sufficient detail to evaluate compliance with the requirements in the solicitation. This may include product literature, or other documents, if necessary;
- (v) Terms of any express warranty;
- (vi) Price and any discount terms; and
- (vii) A completed copy of the representations and certifications in the Offeror Submission Package.

(3) **IFBs ONLY.**

- (i) Facsimile bids _____ authorized for this solicitation.
- (ii) **EVALUATION - Net Payment Terms.** Offers under an IFB that include net payment terms less than 30 days will be determined nonresponsive.
- (iii) Prices shall be offered on an economic price adjustment basis only. Firm prices will be nonresponsive and will be rejected.

(iv) The prices set forth on the Price Data Sheet in the block marked "Bid Price" will be a per gallon price. These prices shall not exceed six digits to the right of the decimal (e.g., \$1.030454).

(4) **RFPs ONLY.**

(i) If the offer is not submitted on the SF 1449, include a statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation. Offers that fail to furnish required representations or information, or that reject the terms and conditions of the solicitation may be excluded from consideration.

(ii) Past performance information, when included as an evaluation factor, to include recent and relevant contracts for the same or similar items and other references (including contract numbers, points of contact with telephone numbers and other relevant information); and

(d) **STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION (SIC) CODE AND SMALL BUSINESS SIZE STANDARD.** The SIC code and small business size standard for this acquisition appear in Block 10 of the solicitation cover sheet (SF 1449). However, the small business size standard for a concern that submits an offer in its own name, but which proposes to furnish an item that it did not itself manufacture, is 500 employees.

(e) **PERIOD FOR ACCEPTANCE OF OFFERS.** The offeror agrees to hold the prices in its offer firm for 100 calendar days from the date specified for receipt of offers, unless another time period is specified in an addendum to the solicitation.

(f) **PRODUCT SAMPLES.** When required by the solicitation, product samples shall be submitted at or prior to the time specified for receipt of offers. Unless otherwise specified in this solicitation, these samples shall be submitted at no expense to the Government, and returned at the sender's request and expense, unless they are destroyed during preaward testing.

(g) **MULTIPLE OFFERS.** Offerors are encouraged to submit multiple offers presenting alternative terms and conditions or commercial items for satisfying the requirements of this solicitation. Each offer submitted will be evaluated separately.

(h) **LATE OFFERS.**

(1) **FOR IFBs.** See the LATE SUBMISSIONS, MODIFICATIONS, AND WITHDRAWALS OF BIDS provision in Addendum 1.

(2) **FOR RFPs.**

(i) Any proposal received at the office designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt of offers will not be considered unless it is received before award is made and--

(A) It was sent by registered or certified mail not later than the fifth calendar day before the date specified for receipt of offers (e.g., an offer submitted in response to a solicitation requiring receipt of offers by the 20th of the month must have been mailed by the 15th);

(B) It was sent by mail (or telegram or facsimile, if authorized) or hand-carried (including delivery by a commercial carrier) if it is determined by the Government that the late receipt was due primarily to Government mishandling after receipt at the Government installation;

(C) It was sent by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee, not later than 5:00 p.m. at the place of mailing two working days prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals. The term **working days** excludes weekends and U.S. Federal holidays;

(D) It was transmitted through an electronic commerce method authorized by the solicitation and was received at the initial point of entry to the Government infrastructure not later than 5:00 p.m. one working day prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals;

(E) There is acceptable evidence to establish that it was received at the activity designated for receipt of offers and was under the Government's control prior to the time set for receipt of offers, and the Contracting Officer determines that accepting the late offer would not unduly delay the procurement; or

(F) It is the only proposal received.

(ii) Any modification or revision of a proposal or response to request for information, including any final proposal revision, is subject to the same conditions as in subparagraphs (c)(3)(i)(A) through (c)(3)(i)(E) of this provision.

(iii) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late proposal or modification or revision sent either by registered or certified mail is the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service postmark both on the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service. Both postmarks must show a legible date or the proposal, response to a request for information, or modification or revision shall be processed as if mailed late. **Postmark** means a printed, stamped, or otherwise placed impression (exclusive of a postage meter machine impression) that is readily identifiable without further action as having been supplied and affixed by employees of the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service on the date of mailing. Therefore, offeror or respondents should request the postal clerk to place a legible hand cancellation bull's eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.

(iv) Acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the Government installation includes the time/date stamp of that installation on the proposal wrapper, other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the installation, or oral testimony or statements of Government personnel.

(v) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late offer, modification or revision, or withdrawal sent by Express mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee is the date entered by the post office receiving clerk on the "Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee" label and the postmark on both the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. Postal Service. **Postmark** has the same meaning as defined in paragraph (c)(3)(iii) of this provision, excluding postmarks of the Canadian Postal Service. Therefore, offerors or respondents should request the postal clerk to place a legible hand cancellation bull's eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.

(vi) Notwithstanding paragraph (c)(3)(i) of this provision, a late modification or revision of an otherwise successful proposal that makes its terms more favorable to the Government will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

(vii) Proposals may be withdrawn by written notice or telegram (including mailgram) received at any time before award. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile proposals, proposals may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before award, subject to the conditions specified in the FACSIMILE PROPOSALS provision. Proposals may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or an authorized representative, if the representative's identity is made known and the representative signs a receipt for the proposal before award.

(viii) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that proposals cannot be received at the office designated for receipt of proposals by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation or other notice of an extension of the closing date, the time specified for receipt of proposals will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume. If no time is specified in the solicitation, the time for receipt is 3:00 PM, local time for the designated Government office.

(i) Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, the offeror may propose to provide any item or combination of items.

(j) Proposals submitted in response to this solicitation shall be in English and in U.S. dollars unless otherwise permitted by the solicitation.

(k) Offerors may submit revised proposals only if requested or allowed by the Contracting Officer.

(l) Proposals may be withdrawn at any time before award. Withdrawals are effective upon receipt of notice by the Contracting Officer.

(m) **CONTRACT AWARD.**

(1) **RFPs ONLY (not applicable to IFBs).**

(i) While the Government intends to evaluate offers and award a contract without discussions, it reserves the right to conduct discussions if later determined by the Contracting Officer to be necessary.

(ii) The Government intends to evaluate proposals and award a contract after conducting discussions with offerors whose proposals have been determined to be within the competitive range. If the Contracting Officer determines that the number of proposals that would otherwise be in the competitive range exceeds the number at which an efficient competition can be conducted, the Contracting Officer may limit the number of proposals in the competitive range to the greatest number that will permit an efficient competition among the most highly rated proposals. Therefore, the offeror's initial proposal should contain the offeror's best terms from a price and technical standpoint.

(iii) Exchanges with offerors after receipt of a proposal do not constitute a rejection or counteroffer by the Government.

(2) The Government intends to award a contract or contracts resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror(s) whose offer(s) conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the Government, cost or price and other factors (including subfactors) specified elsewhere in this solicitation, considered.

(3) The Government may reject any or all offers if such action is in the Government's interest.

(4) The Government may waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received.

(5) The Government may accept any item or group of items of a proposal, unless the offeror qualifies the proposal by specific limitations. Unless otherwise provided in the Schedule, proposals may not be submitted for quantities less than those specified. The Government reserves the right to make an award on any item for a quantity less than the quantity offered, at the unit prices offered, unless the offeror specifies otherwise in the offer.

(6) A written award or acceptance of offer mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time specified in the offer shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party.

(7) The Government may disclose the following information in postaward debriefings to other offerors:

(i) The overall evaluated cost or price and technical rating of the successful offeror;

(ii) The overall ranking of all offerors, when any ranking was developed by the agency during source selection;

(iii) A summary of the rationale for award; and

(iv) For acquisitions of commercial items, the make and model of the item to be delivered by the successful offeror.

(n) AVAILABILITY OF REQUIREMENTS DOCUMENTS CITED IN THE SOLICITATION.

(1) (i) The GSA Index of Federal Specifications, Standards and Commercial Item Descriptions, FPMR Part 101-29, and copies of specifications, standards, and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained for a fee by submitting a request to--

GSA, FEDERAL SUPPLY SERVICE SPECIFICATIONS SECTION
470 L'ENFANT PLAZA, SW, SUITE 8100
WASHINGTON, DC 20407
TELEPHONE: (202) 619-8925
FAX: (202) 619-8978

(ii) If the General Services Administration, Department of Agriculture, or Department of Veterans Affairs issued this solicitation, a single copy of specifications, standards, and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained free of charge by submitting a request to the address in (i) above. Additional copies will be issued for a fee.

(2) The DOD Index of Specifications and Standards (DoDISS) and documents listed in it may be obtained from the--

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SINGLE STOCK POINT (DODSSP)
BUILDING 4, SECTION D
700 ROBBINS AVENUE
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19111-5094
TELEPHONE: (215) 697-2179
FAX: (215) 697-1462

- (i) Automatic distribution may be obtained on a subscription basis.
- (ii) Order forms, pricing information, and customer support information may be obtained--
 - (A) By telephone at (215) 697-2179; or
 - (B) Through the DoDSSP Internet site at <http://www.dodssp.dla.mil>.

(3) Nongovernment (voluntary) standards must be obtained from the organization responsible for their preparation, publication, or maintenance.

(o) **DATA UNIVERSAL NUMBERING SYSTEM (DUNS) NUMBER.** (Applies to offers exceeding \$25,000.) The offeror shall enter, in the block with its name and address on the cover page of its offer, the annotation "DUNS" followed by the DUNS number that identifies the offeror's name and address. If the offeror does not have a DUNS number, it should contact Dun and Bradstreet to obtain one at no charge. An offeror within the United States may call **1-800-333-0505**. The offeror may obtain more information regarding the DUNS number, including locations of local Dun and Bradstreet Information Services offices for offerors located outside the United States, from the Internet home page at <http://www.customerservice@dnb.com>. If an offeror is unable to locate a local service center, it may send an e-mail to Dun and Bradstreet at globalinfo@mail.dnb.com.

(FAR 52.212-1, **tailored**/DESC 52.212-9F20)

K1.01-10 OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS - COMMERCIAL ITEMS (ALTS I/III)
(JUN 1999/OCT 1998/JAN 1999)

(a) **DEFINITIONS.** As used in this provision--

(1) **Emerging small business** means a small business concern whose size is no greater than 50 percent of the numerical size standard for the standard industrial classification code designated.

(2) **Small business concern** means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding on Government contracts, and qualified as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR Part 121 and size standards in this solicitation.

(3) **Women-owned small business concern** means a small business concern--

- (i) Which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more women; and
- (ii) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

(4) **Women-owned business concern** means a concern which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more women; and whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

(b) **TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (TIN) (26 U.S.C. 6050M).** (Not applicable if the offeror is required to provide this information to a central contractor registration database to be eligible for award.)

(1) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (b)(3) through (b)(5) of this provision to comply with debt collection requirements of 31 U.S.C. 7701(c) and 3325(d), reporting requirements of 26 U.S.C. 6041, 6041A, and 6050M, and implementing regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

(2) The TIN may be used by the Government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the offeror's relationship with the Government (31 U.S.C. 7701(c)(3)). If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements described in FAR 4.904, the TIN provided hereunder may be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the offeror's TIN.

(3) **TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (TIN).**

- ☐ TIN: _____
- ☐ TIN has been applied for.
- ☐ TIN is not required because:

☐ Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the U.S. and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the U.S.

- ☐ Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government;
- ☐ Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a Federal, state, or local government;
- ☐ Other. State basis. _____

(4) **TYPE OF ORGANIZATION.**

- ☐ Sole proprietorship;
- ☐ Partnership;
- ☐ Corporate entity (not tax-exempt);
- ☐ Corporate entity (tax-exempt);
- ☐ Government entity (Federal, State, or local);
- ☐ Foreign government;
- ☐ International organization per 26 CFR 1.6049-4;
- ☐ Other: _____.

(5) **COMMON PARENT.**

- ☐ Offeror is not owned or controlled by a common parent.
- ☐ Name and TIN of common parent:
Name _____
TIN _____

(c) Offerors must complete the following representations when the resulting contract is to be performed inside the United States, its territories or possessions, Puerto Rico, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, or the District of Columbia. Check all that apply.

(1) **SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN.** The offeror represents as part of its offer that it--

- ☐ is
- ☐ is not

a small business concern.

(2) **SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS CONCERN. (Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.)**) The offeror represents, for general statistical purposes, that it--

- ☐ is
- ☐ is not

a small disadvantaged business concern as defined in 13 CFR 124.1002.

(3) **WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN. (Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.)** The offeror represents that it--

- ☐ is
- ☐ is not

a women-owned small business concern.

NOTE: Complete paragraphs (c)(4) and (c)(5) only if this solicitation is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

(4) **WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS CONCERN (OTHER THAN SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN).** (Complete only if the offeror is a women-owned business concern and did not represent itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.) The offeror represents that it -

- ☐ is

a woman owned business concern.

(5) **TIE BID PRIORITY FOR LABOR SURPLUS AREA CONCERNS.** If this is an invitation for bid, small business offerors may identify the labor surplus areas in which costs to be incurred on account of manufacturing or production (by offeror or first-tier subcontractors) amount to more than 50 percent of the contract price.

(6) **SMALL BUSINESS SIZE FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS COMPETITIVENESS DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM AND FOR THE TARGETED INDUSTRY CATEGORIES UNDER THE SMALL BUSINESS COMPETITIVENESS DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM.** (Complete only if the offeror has represented itself to be a small business concern under the size standards for this solicitation.)

(i) **(Complete only for solicitations indicated in an addendum as being set-aside for emerging small businesses in one of the four designated industry groups (DIGs)).** The offeror represents as part of its offer that it--

☐ is
☐ is not

an emerging small business.

(ii) **(Complete only for solicitations indicated in an addendum as being for one of the targeted industry categories (TICs) or four designated industry groups (DIGs)).** The offeror represents as follows:

(A) The offeror's number of employees for the past 12 months (check the Employees column if size standard stated in the solicitation is expressed in terms of number of employees); or

(B) The offeror's average annual gross revenue for the last 3 fiscal years (check the Average Annual Gross Number of Revenues column if size standard stated in the solicitation is expressed in terms of annual receipts).

(Check one of the following:)

<u>NUMBER of EMPLOYEES</u>	<u>AVERAGE ANNUAL GROSS REVENUES</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> 50 or fewer	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1 million or less
<input type="checkbox"/> 51 - 100	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,001 - \$2 million
<input type="checkbox"/> 101 - 250	<input type="checkbox"/> \$2,000,001 - \$3.5 million
<input type="checkbox"/> 251 - 500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$3,500,001 - \$5 million
<input type="checkbox"/> 501 - 750	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5,000,001 - \$10 million
<input type="checkbox"/> 751 - 1,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000,001 - \$17 million
<input type="checkbox"/> Over 1,000	<input type="checkbox"/> Over \$17 million

(7) **(Complete only if the solicitation contains the clause at FAR 52.219-23, NOTICE OF PRICE EVALUATION ADJUSTMENT FOR SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS CONCERNS, or FAR 52.219-25, SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS PARTICIPATION PROGRAM - DISADVANTAGED STATUS AND REPORTING, and the offeror desires a benefit based on its disadvantaged status.)**

(i) **GENERAL.** The offeror represents that either--

(A) It--

☐ is
☐ is not

certified by the Small Business Administration as a small disadvantaged business concern and is listed, on the date of this representation, on the register of small disadvantaged business concerns maintained by the Small Business Administration, and that no material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its certification, and, where the concern is owned by one or more individuals claiming disadvantaged status, the net worth of each individual upon whom the certification is based does not exceed \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104(c)(2); or

(B) It--

☐ has

☐ has not

submitted a completed application to the Small Business Administration or a Private Certifier to be certified as a small disadvantaged business concern in accordance with 13 CFR 124, Subpart B, and a decision on that application is pending, and that no material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its application was submitted.

(ii) **JOINT VENTURE UNDER THE PRICE EVALUATION ADJUSTMENT FOR SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS CONCERNS.** The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that it is a joint venture that complies with the requirements in 13 CFR 124.1002(f) and that the representation in paragraph (c)(7)(i) of this provision is accurate for the small disadvantaged business concern that is participating in the joint venture. The offeror shall enter the name of the small disadvantaged business concern that is participating in the joint venture:

_____.

(8) **(Complete if the offeror represented itself as disadvantaged in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.)**

The offeror shall check the category in which its ownership falls:

☐ Black American

☐ Hispanic American

☐ Native American (American Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts, or Native Hawaiians).

☐ Asian Pacific American (persons with origin from Burma, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia,

Singapore,

Brunei, Japan, China, Taiwan, Laos, Cambodia (Kampuchea), Vietnam, Korea, The Philippines, U.S. Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (Republic of Palau), Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam,

Samoa,

Macao, Hong Kong, Fiji, Tonga, Kiribati, Tuvalu, or Nauru).

☐ Subcontinent Asian (Asian-Indian) American (persons with origins from India, Pakistan,

Bangladesh,

Sri Lanka, Bhutan, the Maldives Islands, or Nepal).

☐ Individual/concern, other than one of the preceding.

(9) **HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN. (Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.)** The offeror represents as part of its offer that--

(i) It--

☐ is

☐ is not

a HUBZone small business concern listed, on the date of this representation, on the List of Qualified HUBZone Small Business Concerns Maintained by the Small Business Administration, and no material change in ownership and control, principal place of ownership, or HUBZone employee percentage has occurred since it was certified by the Small Business Administration in accordance with 13 CFR Part 126; and

(ii) It--

☐ is

☐ is not

a joint venture that complied with the requirements of 13 CFR Part 126, and the representation in paragraph (c)(9)(i) of this provision is accurate for the HUBZone small business concern or concerns that are participating on the joint venture. (The offeror shall enter the name or names of the HUBZone small business concern or concerns that are participating in the joint venture: _____.)

Each HUBZone small business concern participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the HUBZone representation.

(d) CERTIFICATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT PROVISIONS OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 11246.

(1) PREVIOUS CONTRACTS AND COMPLIANCE. The offeror represents that--

(i) It--

☐ has

☐ has not

participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the EQUAL OPPORTUNITY clause of this solicitation; and

(ii) It--

☐ has

☐ has not

filed all required compliance reports.

(2) AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMPLIANCE. The offeror represents that--

(i) It--

☐ has developed and has on file

☐ has not developed and does not have on file

at each establishment, affirmative action programs required by rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR Subparts 60-1 and 60-2), or

(ii) It--

[] has not previously had contracts subject to the written affirmative action programs requirement of the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor.

(e) **CERTIFICATION REGARDING PAYMENTS TO INFLUENCE FEDERAL TRANSACTIONS (31 U.S.C. 1352). (Applies only if the contract is expected to exceed \$100,000).** By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with the award of any resultant contract.

(f) **BUY AMERICAN ACT - TRADE AGREEMENTS - BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAM CERTIFICATE. (Applies only if DFARS clause 252.225-7007, TRADE AGREEMENTS ACT, is incorporated by reference in this solicitation.)**

(1) The offeror certifies that--

(i) Each end product, except the end products listed in subparagraph (2) below, is a domestic end product (as defined in the BUY AMERICAN ACT AND BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAM clause of this solicitation); and

(ii) Components of unknown origin are considered to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States or a qualifying country.

(2) The offeror must identify and certify all end products that are not domestic end products.

(i) The offeror certifies that the following supplies qualify as "U.S.-made end products" but do not meet the definition of "domestic end product":

(Insert line item no.)

(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are qualifying country end products:

(Insert line item no.)

(Insert country of origin)

(iii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are qualify as designated country end products:

(Insert line item no.)

(Insert country of origin)

(iv) The offeror certifies that the following supplies qualify as Caribbean Basin country end products:

(Insert line item no.)

(Insert country of origin)

(v) The offeror certifies that the following supplies qualify as NAFTA country end products:

(Insert line item no.)

(Insert country of origin)

(vi) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are other nondesignated country end products:

(Insert line item no.)

(Insert country of origin)

(LIST AS NECESSARY)

(3) Offers will be evaluated by giving preference to U.S.-made end products, qualifying country end products, designated country end products, NAFTA country end products, and Caribbean Basin country end products over other end products.

(g) **BUY AMERICAN ACT - NORTH AMERICAN FREE TRADE AGREEMENT (NAFTA) IMPLEMENTATION ACT - BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAM CERTIFICATE.** (Applies only if DFARS clause 252.225-7036, NORTH AMERICAN FREE TRADE AGREEMENT (NAFTA) IMPLEMENTATION ACT, clause is incorporated by reference in this solicitation.)

(1) The offeror certifies that--

(i) Each end product, except the end products listed in subparagraph (2) below, is a domestic end product (as defined in the BUY AMERICAN ACT AND BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAM clause of this solicitation); and

(ii) Components of unknown origin are considered to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States or a qualifying country.

(2) The offeror must identify and certify all end products that are not domestic end products.

(i) The offeror certifies that the following supplies qualify as "U.S.-made end products," but do not meet the definition of "domestic end products":

(Insert line item number)

(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are qualifying country (except Canada) end products:

(Insert line item number)

(Insert country of origin)

(iii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies qualify as NAFTA country end products:

(Insert line item number)

(Insert country of origin)

(iv) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are other non-NAFTA country end products:

(Insert line item number)

(Insert country of origin)

(LIST AS NECESSARY)

(3) Offers will be evaluated by giving preference to U.S.-made end products, qualifying country end products, or NAFTA country end products over other end products.

(h) **CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION OR INELIGIBILITY FOR AWARD (EXECUTIVE ORDER 12549).**

The offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that--

(1) The offeror and/or any of its principals

[] are

[] are not

presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency, and

- (2) ☐ Have or
☐ Have not,

within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a Federal, state or local government contract or subcontract ; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and

- ☐ are or
☐ are not

presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses.

(FAR 52.212-3/Alts I/III)

G9.09 PAYMENT BY ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER - CENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION (MAY 1999)

(a) METHOD OF PAYMENT.

(1) All payments by the Government under this contract, shall be made electronic funds transfer (EFT), except as provided in paragraph (a)(2) of this clause. As used in this clause, the term EFT refers to the funds transfer and may also include the information transfer.

(2) In the event the Government is unable to release one or more payments by EFT, the Contractor agrees to either--

- (i) Accept payment by check or some other mutually agreeable method of payment; or
- (ii) Request the Government to extend the payment due date until such time as the Government can make payment by EFT (but see paragraph (d) of this clause).

(b) CONTRACTOR'S EFT INFORMATION. The Government shall make payment to the Contractor using the EFT information contained in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database. In the event that the EFT information changes, the Contractor shall be responsible for providing the updated information to the CCR database.

(c) MECHANISMS FOR EFT PAYMENT. The Government shall make payment by EFT through either the Automated Clearing House (ACH) network, subject to the rules of the National Automated Clearing House Association, or the Fedwire Transfer System. The rules governing Federal payments through the ACH are contained in 31 CFR Part 210.

(d) SUSPENSION OF PAYMENT. If the Contractor's EFT information in the CCR database is incorrect, then the Government need not make payment to the Contractor under this contract until correct EFT information is entered into the CCR database; and any invoice or contract financing request shall be deemed not to be a proper invoice for the purpose of prompt payment under this contract. The prompt payment terms of the contract regarding notice of an improper invoice and delays in accrual of interest penalties apply.

(e) CONTRACTOR EFT ARRANGEMENTS. The Contractor has identified multiple payment receiving points (i.e., more than one remittance address and/or EFT information set) in the CCR database, and the Contractor has not notified the Government of the payment receiving point applicable to this contract, the Government shall make payment to the first payment receiving point (EFT information set or remittance address as applicable) listed in the CCR database.

(f) LIABILITY FOR UNCOMPLETED OR ERRONEOUS TRANSFERS.

(1) If an uncompleted or erroneous transfer occurs because the Government used the Contractor's EFT information incorrectly, the Government remains responsible for--

- (i) Making a correct payment;
- (ii) Paying any prompt payment penalty due; and
- (iii) Recovering any erroneously directed funds.

(2) If an uncompleted or erroneous transfer occurs because the Contractor's EFT information was incorrect or was revised within 30 days of Government release of the EFT payment transaction instruction to the Federal Reserve System, and--

(i) If the funds are no longer under the control of the payment office, the Government is deemed to have made payment and the Contractor is responsible for recovery of any erroneously direct funds; or

(ii) If the funds remain under the control of the payment office, the Government shall not make payment and the provisions of paragraph (d) of this clause shall apply.

(g) **EFT AND PROMPT PAYMENT.** A payment shall be deemed to have been made in a timely manner in accordance with the prompt payment terms of this contract if, in the EFT payment transaction instruction released to the Federal Reserve System, the date specified for settlement of the payment is on or before the prompt payment due date, provided the specified payment date is a valid date under the rules of the Federal Reserve System.

(h) **EFT AND ASSIGNMENT OF CLAIMS.** If the Contractor assigns the proceeds of this contract as provided for in the assignment of claims terms of this contract, the Contractor shall require a condition of any such assignment that the assignee shall register in the CCR database and shall be paid by EFT in accordance with the terms of this clause. In all respects, the requirements of this clause shall apply to the assignee as if it were the Contractor. EFT information that shows the ultimate recipient of the transfer to be other than the Contractor, in the absence of a proper assignment of claims acceptable to the Government, is incorrect within the meaning of paragraph (d) of this clause.

(i) **LIABILITY FOR CHANGE OF EFT INFORMATION BY FINANCIAL AGENT.** The Government is not liable for errors resulting from changes in EFT information made by the Contractor's financial agent.

(j) **PAYMENT INFORMATION.** The payment or disbursing office shall forward to the Contractor available payment information that is suitable for transmission as of the date of release of the EFT instruction to the Federal Reserve System. The Government may request the Contractor to designate a desired format and method(s) for delivery of payment information from a list of formats and methods the payment office is capable of executing. However, the Government does not guarantee that any particular format or method of delivery is available at any particular payment office and retains the latitude to use the format and delivery method most convenient to the Government. If the Government makes payment by check in accordance with paragraph (a) of this clause, the Government shall mail the payment information to the remittance address contained in the CCR database.

(FAR 52.232-33)

